



# CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

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## Voters to decide three proposals Nov. 3

Michigan voters will have the opportunity to decide the fate of three proposals on Tuesday, November 3, including one that deals with assisted suicide and another that would allow for a large scale environmental clean-up.

Here are the three proposals worded in the "Official Ballot Language."

### PROPOSAL A

"A PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE WORD 'HANDICAPPED' TO 'DISABLED' IN THE STATE CONSTITUTION"

"The proposal would:

The proposed constitutional amendment would change the word 'handicapped' to 'disabled' in Article VIII, Section 8, of the State Constitution. Article VIII, Section 8, of the State Constitution currently reads: 'Institutions, programs and services for the care, treat-

ment, education or rehabilitation of those inhabitants who are physically, mentally or otherwise seriously handicapped shall always be fostered and supported.'

Should this proposal be adopted?"

### PROPOSAL B

"INITIATED LEGISLATION TO LEGALIZE THE PRESCRIPTION OF A LETHAL DOSE OF MEDICATION TO TERMINALLY ILL, COMPETENT, INFORMED ADULTS IN ORDER TO COMMIT SUICIDE"

"The proposal would:

1.) Allow a Michigan resident or certain out-of-state relatives of Michigan residents confirmed by 1 psychiatrist to be mentally competent and 2 physicians to be terminally ill with 6 months or less to live to obtain a lethal dose of medication to end his/her life.

2.) Allow physicians, after following required proce-

dures, to prescribe a lethal dose of medication to enable a terminally ill adult to end his/her life.

3.) Establish a gubernatorially appointed, publicly-funded oversight committee, exempt from Open Meetings Act and whose records, including confidential medical records, and minutes are exempt from Freedom of Information Act.

4.) Create penalties for violating law.

Should this proposal be approved?"

### PROPOSAL C

"A PROPOSAL TO AUTHORIZE BONDS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION PROGRAMS"

"The proposal would:

1.) Authorize the State of Michigan to borrow a sum not to exceed \$675 million dollars to finance environ-

mental and natural resources protection programs that would clean up and redevelop contaminated sites, protect and improve water quality, prevent pollution, abate lead contamination, reclaim and revitalize community waterfronts, enhance recreational opportunities, and clean up contaminated sediments in lakes, rivers, and streams.

2.) Authorize the state to issue general obligation bonds pledging the full faith and credit of the state for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds.

3.) Provide for repayment of the bonds from the general fund of the state.

Should this proposal be approved?"

*For a listing of where to vote please see the "Election Notice" on Page 6B. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3.*

## Truth in Taxation hearing reveals additional county revenue in '99

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners held a public Truth in Taxation hearing on October 13 to answer any taxpayer questions on increased revenues from ad valorem property taxes.

County Treasurer Joe Wakeley recommended to the Board that they spread the same millage rate as in 1998, thus increasing county operating revenues by 4.73 percent.

After the recommendation was made, Chairman John Hartman asked for any comment from citizens in attendance. There was no response.

The public hearing was closed within five minutes of its opening, then Commissioner Bob Smock requested that the taxation formula be explained.

Wakeley responded by explaining that if the county spread the same millage rate as last year, the valua-

tion will increase by 4.73 percent. Valuation is determined by increases or decreases in property values within the county. Property values continued to increase in 1998.

Revenues raised as a result of these increases will result in approximately \$113,000 for the county's general fund.

According to Wakeley, an additional \$150,000 will also be generated and shared by the Commission on Aging, Grayling Recreation Authority and the Crawford County Transit Authority.

In the vote to maintain the same millage rate as in 1998, the votes were 5-1 in favor, with Commissioner Bruce Bretzke the only dissenting vote.

Wakeley said that budget amendments will be addressed at the next regular board meeting, on October 27. Hartman requested a cash balance report for all funds be provided to the Board.

## Venison in northeast Michigan – is it safe for consumption?

Venison is a popular meat that is low in fat and a good source of high quality protein. The discovery of bovine B in the wild deer population in northeastern Michigan raises concern about the safety of venison for food.

Clearly there are guidelines to follow when preparing venison for consumption; however, these suggestions do not differ from the guidelines for many meat products.

Meat from a deer known to be infected with TB should not be consumed. This means that suspect deer with multiple pea-sized tan or yellow lumps/nodules or lesions on the inside/outside of the rib cage and/or on the lungs should not be eaten. Nor should you eat deer who have tested positive for bovine TB.

Since TB confirmation tests may take a long time, the following practices are recommended for deer that do not exhibit obvious signs of TB.

1. Rubber gloves are a good idea for field dressing although since TB is generally transmitted through the air, it is highly unlikely that a person would contract the disease from field dressing.

2. Have your deer checked for TB

by the DNR.

3. Separate and label your venison by animal. Do not mix your meat with the meat of others.

4. Cook the meat thoroughly to an internal temperature of 160 degrees Fahrenheit. This is not only for protection against TB, but also offers protection against a host of other known pathogens that could be present in venison (e.g. E. Coli, Salmonella). Cooking venison to this recommended temperature should make meat safe even if bacteria are present.

Thermometers are the only reliable indicators of internal meat temperature. Any other method is a guess.

The safety of venison smoked sausage and jerky remains questionable. The processing methods for these products do not always reach the critical 160 degrees F. temperature of safety needed to destroy pathogenic bacteria.

The Michigan DNR has produced an informative brochure describing tuberculosis in white-tail deer in Michigan. The brochure is available at MSU Extension Offices, DNR Offices and various area businesses.

## One county road patrol officer lay-off alleviated

## Sheriff receives money for anti-drug program

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

The D.A.R.E. anti-drug program in Crawford County received a shot in the arm last week when the Crawford County Sheriff's Department was granted \$59,801.

Sheriff David Lovely said that the funds come from a state grant he applied for back in April as part of the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Community Act and covers 100% of the program's costs.

The funds will be used to continue current curriculum and expand the program to cover Kindergarten

through 12th grade.

Currently, Lovely said, the program touches only certain grades with little follow-up. "The grant will allow the curriculum to be

taught throughout all the school years," said Lovely.

Through the grant Deputy Jimmy Parker will receive training on teaching high school students the

dangers and disadvantages of drug and alcohol use.

The grant monies will also alleviate one road patrol officer lay-off in the county.

## James Street resurfacing project to be complete by Nov. 1

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The repaving project that is currently underway in the middle of the city of Grayling is scheduled to be completed on or before November 1, according to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT).

The project, which involves resurfacing of James Street from Huron Street to M-72 West, is being done in coordination with the Road Commission for Crawford County.

"The contractor expects to be finished by November 1," said Dan Kari of MDOT. "On Wednesday or Thursday (October 22) they want to start paving, and should finish with that in a couple days."

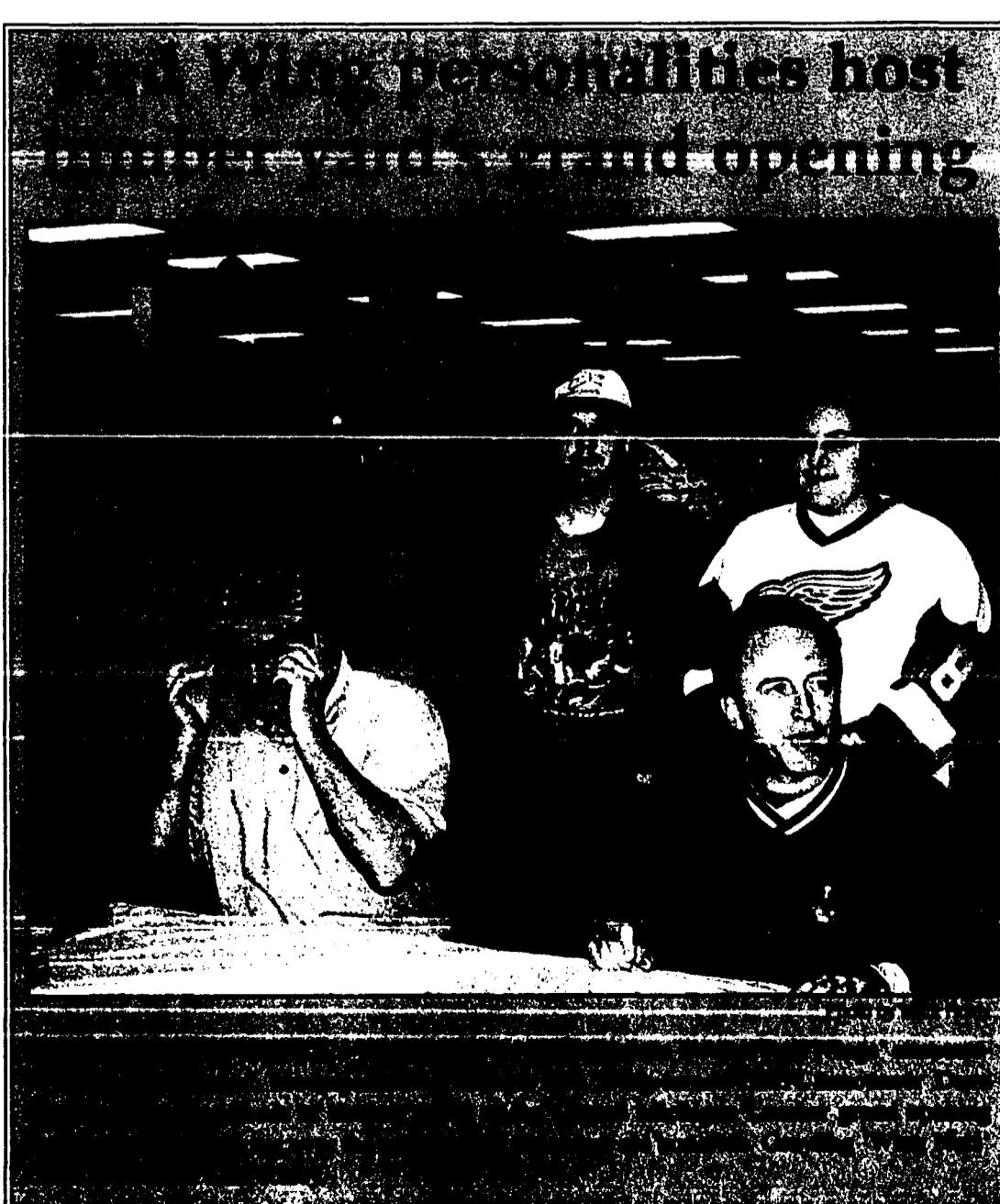
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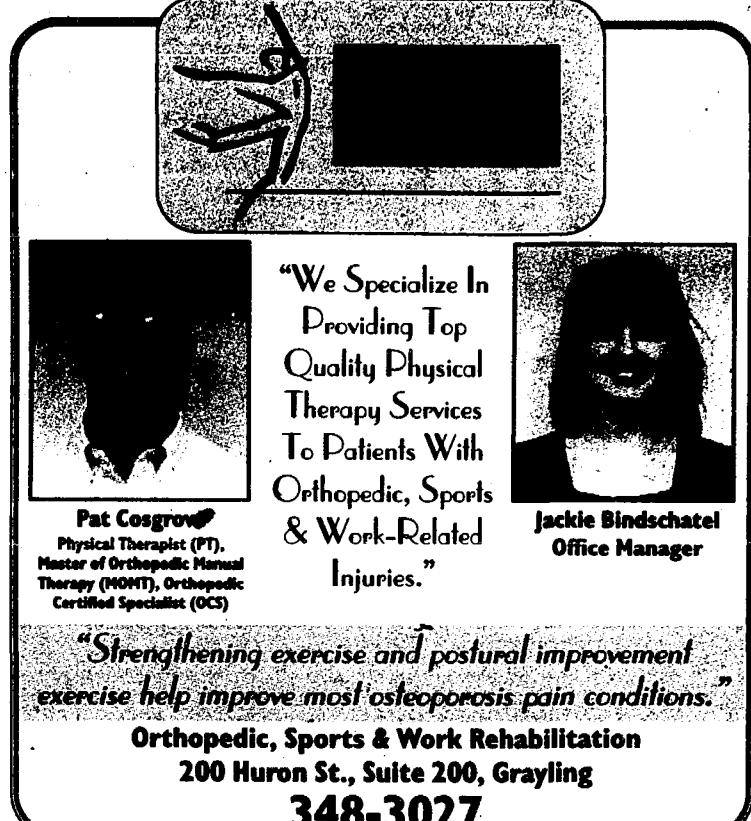
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## Community Thanksgiving Dinner plans under way

by Cheryll Rulley

Staff Writer

The Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving Committee (C.A.T.C.) has begun its fall meetings in preparation for the 5th Annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

The next organizational volunteer meeting is Thursday, October 29, at 6:30 p.m., in the fellowship hall of St. John Lutheran Church on Spruce Street in Grayling.

The St. John Lutheran Church will again host the dinner to be held on Thanksgiving Day, November 26.

A buffet-style, traditional meal will be served from 12 noon to 3 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 604 Norway in Grayling.

The dinner is made possible by donations from local businesses and cash donations from the community, therefore it is offered at no charge and everyone is welcome.

Donations can be made at the door or by sending a check payable to: C.A.T.C., P.O. Box



File photo by Linda Golnick

44, Grayling, MI 49738.

Volunteers are needed to help plan, prepare, deliver and set-up what has become an enormous event, serving over 400 meals in 1997.

The dinner is a great opportunity for high school students to earn community service hours, a graduation requirement. To volunteer, please call Therese Kaiser at 348-7651 or 348-1340.

Carry-out meals will be available and reservations for home-delivered meals can be made by calling Sally Golnick, between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 348-9418 or call St. John Lutheran Church at 349-5224, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 noon, weekdays. Over 100 meals were delivered last year.

Anyone who needs a ride can call the Knights of Columbus Hall, at 348-2929, on only the days of Wednesday, November 25 or Thanksgiving Day to make a reservation. Please do not call the hall before those days. Reservations for rides are taken only by C.A.T.C. volunteers.

**PART OF THE KITCHEN CREW** - Al Davis, Mike Smith, Fred Kaiser and Lew Sorenson were just four of many volunteers that helped prepare 18 turkeys and all the trimmings for last year's 4th Annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

## United Way Auction coming Nov. 7

Submitted by Marianne Gosnell

The Crawford County United Way Auction is coming Saturday, November 7.

The auction was created in 1985 by two retailers, Gloria Kraus and Maureen McNamara, and accounts for about 30% of the total money raised during the campaign.

The success of the auction is dependent on the generosity of merchants and others who donate items and all those who bid on them.

But, without the help of the many volunteers, the United Way auction would not happen. Some volunteers include JoAnn Michal, Dr. Carolyn DiPonio, Evie Kent, Joan Small, Nancy and John Hunt, Tina Hamilton, Kelly Fortino, Julie Sajdak, Laurie Krey, Judy Craft, Linda Golnick, Paul and Donna Thomson, Pam Fisher, and Janet Gaffke.

Other volunteers will be working the day and evening of the auction. So far these include John Jones, Fred Hinkle, John Cherven, Jerry Gosnell, John Keir, Mark Furst, D.J. Brown, Judy Woodland, Joe Swain, Dale French, and Reverend Jackie Guernsey.

The United Way auction includes a Silent Auction from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., a Live Auction beginning at 7 p.m., and a Prize Board with drawings throughout the evening beginning at 8 p.m. Prize Board tickets are available from the United Way Board members.

This year only cash or checks will be accepted. Sorry, no credit cards.

Auction items donated include gift certificates for: food, a golf outing, a physical assessment profile and ergonomics evaluation, dinners, tan-

ning sessions, pizzas, and haircuts.

Also on the auction block are cultural events tickets, trays of cookies, gift baskets filled with various goodies, a candlewick pillow and other handcrafted items, two-color business cards, a silk flower arrangement, artwork by local artists (a "pen and ink" and a watercolor), watches, sweatshirts, hats, a scrimshaw necklace, earrings, a snack tray, bike helmet, T-shirt, polo shirt, canoe trips, tealight birdhouse, resin boxes, a birdhouse ornament, and more!

Those interested in donating auction items, please call Marianne Gosnell at 348-8253.

United Way members say they are looking forward to seeing everyone at the auction, November 7.

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## Help center to move before Christmas

by Cherryl Rulley

Staff Writer

Work is being done at the future site of the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center in preparation for opening before Christmas.

With all the activity and excitement, Director Gerry Schroeder said she hopes that the community doesn't lose sight of the upcoming holidays and the need for donations.

"As with last year, our Christmas fund has very little to start from," said Schroeder. "We are facing a real challenge with Christmas this year."

Last year the Help Center served 120 local families during the holidays, distributing food, gift certificates, toys and clothing.

This year, Schroeder anticipates the same or an increased need. Involvement with the Marine Corps' Toys for Tots program should help. Toys will be collected in the customary way, in barrels located inside area businesses. The Help Center and a Family Independence Agency coordinator will distribute toys to Crawford County children in need of a brighter Christmas.

Churches, service organizations and businesses have helped tremendously over the years to make holiday projects successful, said Schroeder. Donors are given a lot of choices of how they can help.

Last year the Adopt-A-Family-For-Christmas program was started. This program will be available again in 1998 for those who would like to provide Christmas dinner and gifts for a family. Schroeder suggests that donors check with the Help Center to see if the family has registered for the program.

"We would like to avoid duplications and possibly leaving a family out of the program, so please check with us first," Schroeder said.

Those who would like to adopt a family should register no later than December 7 by calling 348-6046 or 348-2821.

Families in need of a little help this Christmas can register by calling one of these same numbers no later than December 14. Holiday



**A LITTLE TEAMWORK GOES A LONG WAY** - On the very day that the papers were signed, volunteers arrived to start work on the newly purchased site of the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center. Building Trades instructor Larry Wilson and help center volunteer Vic Johnson supervise high school students preparing the building for new windows.

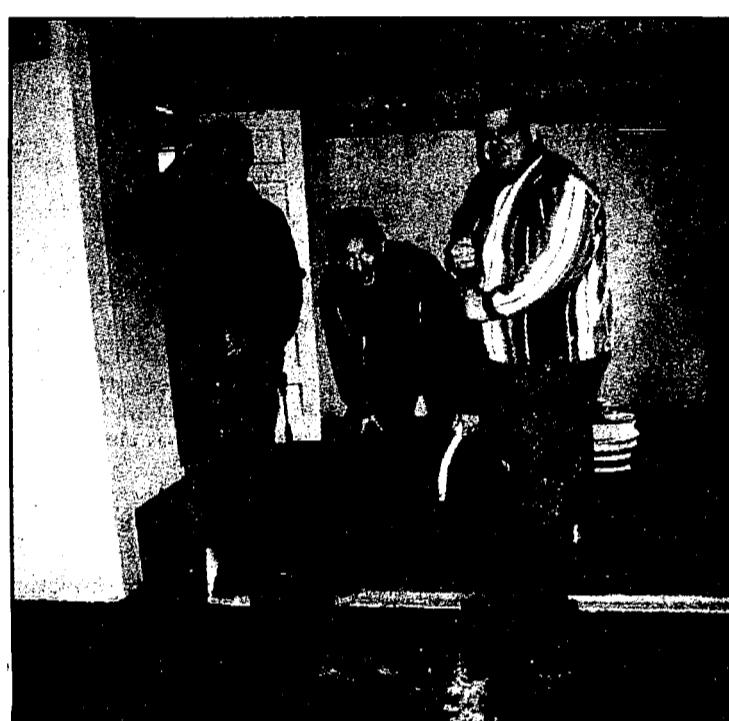
food and gifts will be distributed December 16 and 18, hopefully at the new site located at 300 Huron Street. The Help Center will keep the public informed of progress of the new site.

If anyone wishes to buy a toy for donation, Schroeder asks that it be wrapped and to please indicate on a tag if it is for a boy or girl, and the age group for which it is appropriate. The toy should be delivered to the Help Center by December 11.

As always, cash donations are needed to fill the gaps that occur this time of the year.

The Help Center is currently located at 306 James Street and is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Volunteers are still needed to do some exterior painting on Saturday, October 24, beginning between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. Bring your own painting supplies, such as brushes, pans, and ladders. Schroeder said that the crew is in need of someone who knows how to operate a sprayer to help get the job done quickly before winter sets in.



**HELPING HAND** - Students in Grayling High School's Building Trades classes help prepare a room for subflooring at the new site of the Christian Help Center. Shown here are Andy Smith, Luke Cross and Eric Deline.



**PAINT PREPARATIONS** - Rita McEvers works on the house trim and window casings before the Help Center gets a fresh coat of paint before winter sets in.

**WATCH THAT OVERSPRAY, BOYS** - Vic Johnson supervises while Bruce Schroeder's paint spraying expertise is put to the test on a blustery day at the new Help Center location.

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# ISSUES AND OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

### Supreme Court races obscure but vital

**THE MOST** important (election) races you never heard about."

That's what Associated Press writer John Flesher has called election to the Michigan Supreme Court.

On November 3, Michigan voters will elect three justices to the court which is the ultimate arbiter on legal matters in the state.

Candidates are on a separate ballot, with no indication of party affiliation -- just names.

The only identification help for the voter is that incumbent justices are listed as "Justice of the Supreme Court."

That's a tremendous help for incumbent justices, too, which is the main reason few are defeated.

In Michigan's obtuse system of filling the high court, candidates are nominated by partisan conventions, then immediately lose the party designation. They must be partisans to win the nomination, and nonpartisans to win the election.

That really doesn't make much sense, but that's the way it is.

To add to the voter confusion, minority parties also can nominate candidates, and with a relative minimal of effort, individuals can nominate themselves by petition.

This year, the Reform and Libertarian parties each nominated a candidate, and one self-starter also made it.

The way the names appear on the ballot, only the politically aware know the difference, which is one reason a politically appealing name is important.

There are two separate elections for the Supreme Court: one for two full eight-year terms, the second for one partial two-year term.

The present political balance on the Supreme Court is four Democratic nominees, three Republicans. The gender balance is four men, three women.

Voters could change both.

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**IN THE FULL** term race, Democrats nominated Chief Justice Michael F. Cavanagh for another term, along with Wayne Circuit Judge Susan D. Borman.

Republicans nominated Maura Denise Corrigan, chief judge of the State Court of Appeals, and another Wayne Circuit Judge, Jeffrey G. Collins.

Mr. Cavanagh will have the designation as an incumbent, and should be a shoo-in for another term.

The second seat is held currently by Justice Patricia Boyle, who is not running for another term.

This is the race where the minor candidates also appear: Matthew Abel of West Bloomfield, Reform Party; David Raaflaub of Ann Arbor, Libertarian; and Jerry Jay Kaufman of Huntington Woods, Independent.

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**MICHAEL CAVANAGH** has been a judge of one sort or another most of his legal life.

He's from Detroit, moved to Lansing after receiving his law degree from University of Detroit, became a District Judge, then eight years on the State Appeals Court and 16 years so far on the Supreme Court. And he's only 57.

His Democratic running mate, Susan D. Borman, has been on the bench almost as long. She received her law degree from U of D in 1969, won election to Detroit Recorder's Court in 1972, and to Wayne Circuit Court in 1979.

Republicans are counting strongly on Chief Appeals Judge Maura Corrigan, another U of D law graduate, who has worked for the Wayne prosecutor and U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District. She was named by Gov. John Engler to the State Appeals Court in 1992, elected twice, and became chief judge in 1997.

The second Republican nominee, Judge Jeffrey Collins, a native Detroiter and graduate of Howard University law school, practiced law for eight years before appointment by Gov. Engler to the Detroit Recorder's Court in 1994; the Recorder's Court last year merged with the Wayne Circuit Court.

Judge Collins was a late comer to Republican consideration for the court slot. The spot was offered to John Smetanka, who turned it down to fight for the attorney general nomination. William Runcy of Dearborn, a former state legis-

lator, had been announced as the Republican choice, but withdrew late, citing his wife's race for the state senate as his top priority. That's when Judge Collins was tapped.

General political wisdom in this race is that Justice Cavanagh is a sure thing, with Appeals Judge Corrigan favored for the second spot.

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**THE SECOND COURT** campaign is to fill the two-year balance of a seat now held by Justice Clifford W. Taylor of East Lansing, self described as "a leader in the judicial conservative movement," who was appointed to a partial term by Gov. Engler in 1997.

Nominated by the Democrats is Wayne Circuit Judge Carole F. Youngblood.

Justice Taylor will be designated on the ballot as "Justice of the Supreme Court," which should provide the winning edge.

Justice Taylor is a graduate of University of Michigan and George Washington Law School. He was an assistant Ingham County prosecutor before practicing law in Lansing for 20 years.

Active for years in Republican politics, he's a close associate of Gov. Engler and Sen. Spencer Abraham, and ran losing races for Congress and attorney general.

Gov. Engler appointed him to the State Court of Appeals in 1992, and when Justice Dorothy Comstock Riley resigned from the Supreme Court for health reasons in 1997, the governor picked Mr. Taylor again.

Judge Youngblood earned her law degree at Detroit College of Law 20 years after graduating from high school in Royal Oak. She was in private practice for six years, and was elected in 1994 as a Wayne Circuit Judge.

She owns a long list of Democratic political credentials, dating back to the McGovern Presidential campaign in 1972.

There are no minor party or independent candidates in this race.

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Are Smock's facts straight on public lands in county?

To the editor,

Bobby Smock is attempting to tell us how much private land we have lost to the State of Michigan over the years, without acknowledging what the local community and business interests have gained from the State.

There are far too many examples to mention them all, but I will take a moment to list the following significant businesses and local developments that have acquired properties from the State:

Fox Run Golf Course; portions of Grayling Country Club; AJD Forest Products; Weyerhaeuser Corporation; portions of Charlie's Country Corners; Georgia Pacific Resin Plant; LC Redi-Mix; Total Petroleum Corporation; UNOCAL; portions of the City Industrial Park; Grayling High School; Mt. Hope Lutheran Church; Beaver Creek Township Park and Fire Department; Crawford County Fairgrounds; old fish hatchery for county/township development; Grayling Township Park; Grayling Mercy Hospital.

Mr. Smock's campaign ad last week questions the "integrity" of the Rayburn property deal. That parcel, and many others acquired by the State, were available on the open market for any buyer/developer to

acquire, and after unsuccessful attempts to sell, was acquired by the State to preserve and protect our environmentally sensitive river corridors from overuse and abuse.

The ad valorem tax now paid by the state on the Rayburn property is higher than it was when in previous ownership.

Folks come here to use and enjoy all the amenities provided by the public lands around Grayling. Obviously, controlled growth is good, but it is the tourism and recreation industry that has built and supported Grayling. Visitors look for areas of public lands to camp, hunt, fish, ski, snowmobile, and recreate freely.

State lands have always been made available for economic development in the past, and will continue to be available as opportunities arise.

Several parcels are being offered and/or considered for disposal at this very moment. I counter Bobby Smock's "FACT" that the number one problem in this county is too much public land, by asserting that it is our number one asset.

Jim McMillan  
Grayling

## VIEWPOINT

### by Will Holscher, PA-C, Mercy Primary Care Associates Perspective on Physician Assistants

The face of health care is changing in many new and exciting ways. The increased scope of a rural medical practice and the demands upon the time and availability of physicians has opened the door for progressive and innovative ideas. Once again, Mercy Primary Care Associates is involved with these innovative changes.

Mercy medical campuses in Roscommon, Prudenville and Grayling have recently added mid-level practitioners to their growing practices. Many in the public have had an introduction to these health professionals, either physician assistants or nurse practitioners, in hospitals, offices and urgent care centers.

Mid-level providers are licensed to practice medicine under the supervision of a physician. Many are trained at the graduate school level to perform the medical services that a physician traditionally performs.

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scope of the PA's practice corresponds to the supervising physician's practice. In general, a physician assistant will see many of the same types of patients as the physician.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## VIEWPOINT

by Kathy Black, Crawford County Commissioner District #3

### Legislation would keep gas and oil severance tax revenues local

House Bills 5983, 5984, and 5985 are about oil and gas severance taxes but with an underlying theme which is important to all of us in our local communities, especially in northern Michigan. The underlying theme is fairness.

This legislation would return 25% of the severance taxes paid by the oil and gas industry on oil/gas production to the local units of government, where the production takes place. This little known tax generates approximately \$40 million annually, which goes into the state's general fund where it can be spent for any purpose by the state.

Currently those counties in the Upper Peninsula who have been impacted by the mining industry receive a portion of the proceeds from that industry back into their local coffers, while those counties (currently 46 in the Lower Peninsula) who have extensive oil/gas production receive nothing back for the liquid minerals

obtained from their lands. That practice is unfair and might even be unconstitutional.

Our local units must try to include, within already overburdened and strained budgets, additional costs directly attributable to, and unforeseen, due to the expansion of this industry.

These costs include, but are not limited to, such items as funding for road maintenance and repair, installation of new stream crossings and maintenance, extra staffing for various environmental inspections relating to air and ground water quality issues and other inspections, costs associated with updating local Emergency Preparedness Plans and additional pressures on schools, law enforcement and medical/EMS services due to increased population on a temporary basis.

This legislation would return both money and fairness to the local units currently impacted by this industry expansion. You, the

citizens, would benefit because the local units would receive some much needed revenue with which to sustain or provide additional services for all of us.

In 1997, I helped to organize a small, grassroots ad hoc group called GOALIES (Gas, Oil and Land Impact Environment Statewide) which is composed of various elected officials, representatives from road commissions, MSUE and others who have been meeting and lobbying in Lansing on your behalf to make this happen. Several of us testified on September 22, 1998 before the House Committee on Forestry and Mineral Rights concerning this issue. The bipartisan Committee unanimously reported this legislation out of committee on that day.

But, we have reached a stumbling block and need your assistance. Some members of the

House Leadership do not want to place this legislation on the floor during the lame duck sessions. If it is not brought to the floor this year, we will have to begin the process all over again next year.

There is no good reason to delay bringing this legislation to the floor. It is good legislation and will benefit the majority of counties in this state.

Please contact your local representatives in the State Legislature in support of this package of bills and write letters, send faxes or make phone calls to House Majority Floor Leader Pat Gagliardi and urge him to do all in his power to bring this legislation to the floor when this legislative session reconvenes in November.

Your voice is important and can be heard in Lansing. But, you have to make it happen.

### Voters urged to push Senate on gas/oil leasing bills... now!

To the editor,

Gas lease holders and private property owners have a great opportunity this fall to help achieve passage of legislation that will help property owners throughout Michigan.

House Bills 4261 and 4259 are ready for a Senate vote. They are part of a package of bills dealing with protecting private landowner rights in relation to Division Orders, Post Production Costs, and accountability of gas leasing companies in gas and oil leasing.

These two must be passed in order for all the additional bills to take effect. However, it is necessary that these bills be "taken up" this fall or they will fall to the wayside and not be enacted.

These bills have been initiated and worked on by both Republicans and Democrats and would be a great loss if they were not brought to a vote.

As a property owner in Montmorency and Alpena Counties, this vote is important to me. I hope that many of you will feel the same way.

Maureen A. Miller  
Lansing

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

# BRIEFS

## Candlelight ceremony planned Oct. 27

River House Shelter is sponsoring a Candlelight Ceremony to remember women who have suffered from domestic violence and to celebrate those who have survived and made new lives for themselves. The ceremony will take place on Tuesday, October 27, at 7 p.m., at St. Michael's Church, located at 104 N. 6th Street in Roscommon. For more information, please call River House Shelter at (517) 348-3169.

## Auditions for Christmas play to be held

Open auditions will be held for the full length production of *The Christmas Schooner*, a musical based on a true story set in Manistique, Michigan. Parts for eight men, four women and two children will be cast. Auditions will be held Thursday, October 22, at 7 p.m., at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. More information can be obtained at the church office located at 400 Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

## Habitat will benefit from *Celebrity Lunch*

A *Celebrity Lunch* to benefit the Crawford County Habitat for Humanity will take place on Friday, October 23 at Stevens Family Circle Restaurant. From 12 noon until 2:30 p.m. local celebrities such as Rep. Allen Lowe, State House Republican candidate Ken Bradstreet, County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandy Moore, Dr. Carolyn DiPonio and Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright will take your lunch order and their tips will go to Habitat. Pies will be raffled off every quarter hour and a special lunch menu will be available that day, with some of the profit going to Habitat for Humanity.

## Help Center needs handy volunteers

The Crawford County Community Christian Help Center hopes to move into their new location at 300 Huron Street before Christmas. Volunteers are needed for tasks, especially for exterior painting on Saturday, October 24. Please bring your own painting supplies, such as brushes, pans, rollers, and ladders for the latest painting party. If you have some time to help out, please call Gerry Schroeder at 348-6046 or 348-2821.

## Christmas shopping for a cause

Beat the bad weather and start your Christmas shopping at the Grayling Area Lioness Club's House of Lloyd "Christmas Around the World" Party. The party will be held in the Frederic Elementary School Cafeteria on Wednesday, October 28, beginning at 7 p.m. Refreshments of cider and doughnuts will be served. Proceeds will go to such projects as Grayling High School Scholarships, Talking Books for the Crawford County Library, and other local charities.

## Luzerne club hosts *Haunted House*

The Luzerne Northwoods Club, a non-profit community organization, is hosting for the seventh year, a *Haunted House* fit for the whole family. Money raised will go toward the club's community service projects. The *Haunted House* is located 1/2 mile north of the blinker light at M-72 and Deeter Road (County Road 489). Hours are from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday, October 23-24. Admission is \$2. Cookies, punch, and coffee will be served free of charge. Over 800 people went through the house last year and the club has added more to the scary experience for 1998.

## Lions Lucky 13 raffle winner announced

The Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 Raffle winner for week # 3 is Dane Phillips. Phillips won \$100.

## Hospice to hold volunteer training

Mercy Amicare Homecare and Hospice will be holding a Hospice Volunteer training October 28-29. Sessions are Wednesday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Training will cover communications and coping skills, family dynamics and body mechanics. Volunteer activities include respite, transportation, clerical and office assistance. For more information or to sign up for the training, please call Sherry Haag, Volunteer Coordinator, at 1-800-424-1457 or (517) 348-4383.

## Bake sale to benefit Frederic Library

There will be a Halloween Bake Sale at the Frederic Elementary School on Friday, October 30, from 1 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. All proceeds will go to support the Frederic Community Library. Parents are welcome to come and buy.

## Film series shows Big Sky of Montana

The Community Education Program and Dale Smith will present *Montana - Beneath the Big Sky*, as part of the *Travel and Adventure Film Series* on Thursday, October 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3.50 for students and seniors. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Group rates are also available by calling the Community Education Office at 348-7641, ext. 123 or 120.

## Spookfest Halloween Party to be held at Hanson Hills

The annual Spookfest Halloween Party and Haunted House is being planned for Halloween weekend.

This year, the Haunted House will be open Friday and Saturday, October 30-31, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Make a \$1 donation at the door to benefit the Snowboard Club at Hanson Hills.

The Haunted House is recommended for kids ages 10 and above.

The Halloween Party, recommended for children ages 10 years and younger, will include a costume contest, games and a bag of treats for every child.

The annual Spookfest Halloween Party is made possi-

ble through the generosity of many volunteers and businesses that have donated their time and resources to offer this quality event for area children.

Anyone interested in volunteering or donating to Spookfest '98 should call Hanson Hills at 348-9266.

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## Natalie Kent wins 4-H Proficiency Award



**PROFICIENCY WINNER** - Nancy Persing (l.) presents Natalie Kent (r.) with a 1998 Farm Credit Services 4-H Proficiency Award for her project in poultry.

The 4-H MSU Extension office announced that Natalie Kent has received a Farm Credit Services 4-H Agricultural Proficiency Award for 1998. This award is supported by Farm Credit Services in the 21 Northern Michigan counties.

There are two winners in each of 11 project areas. Kent received this award for her project in poultry. She has been an active 4-H member for 12 years. Her main focus has been on rabbits, but she has raised other ani-

mals as well. To receive this award, Kent submitted her project records, including her innovative ideas, management practices, as well as pictures of her chicks during their development.

This is the fourteenth year for this program and we expect it to continue into the future. If you would like to try to become an award recipient next year, please contact the 4-H/MSU Extension Office for information at (517) 344-3266.

## Youth asked to Make a Difference in CYAC leaf-raking project

The Christian Youth Activity Center (CYAC) is looking for a few good kids.

Saturday, October 24 is *Make a Difference Day*. The Board of Directors of CYAC would like to make a difference by raking leaves at the homes of the elderly, handicapped and widowed; and is requesting that area youth get involved.

High school students can earn community service hours by participating in the project and a good feeling from helping someone in our community.

A Halloween hayride at Wellington Farm Park on October 31, sponsored by the Assembly of God Church will be the reward for all those who come and rake in the leaves.

Raking will begin at 10 a.m., and information on locations is forthcoming. Please bring a rake, if you have one, and wear clothing suitable for outdoor work.

Register with Dan or Suzy Jurkovich at 344-9033 or Cheryll Rulley at 348-6811 or 348-1429.

## Snowshoe workshops at Hartwick Pines

Winter is fast approaching and it is time to think about winter recreation such as snowshoeing. Hartwick Pines State Park will be presenting their third annual snowshoe building workshops this winter.

This is an opportunity for you to build your own pair of Iverson brand snowshoes.

The history of snowshoes, their uses and the scenery that can be taken in while snowshoeing will be covered.

The workshops will be held on five Saturdays: December 12, 1998, January 9 and 23, February 13 and 27, 1999. Classes are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will be held in the Michigan Forest Visitor Center at Hartwick Pines State Park.

Because of the limited space available, reservations are required. Please call Kate DeVries at the (517) 348-2537 for more information or to reserve a space. There is a non-refundable \$15 reservation fee.

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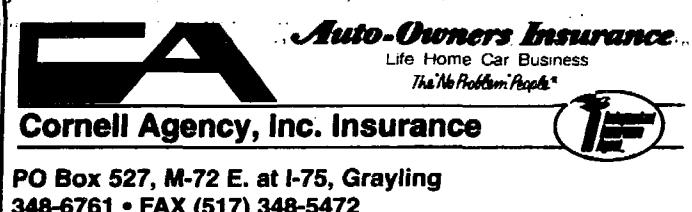
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THURS 22	•TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. For more information call Joanne 348-4416. •MINIMAL FEE BLOOD PRESSURE & BLOOD SUGAR SCREENINGS @ Commission on Aging, 11 am - 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ Grayling City Hall, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •SINGLES, 123 Lake St., Prudenville. 6:00 pm.
FRI 23	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
SAT 24	•PROMISE KEEPERS BREAKFAST - location to be announced, call Fred Albers, 348-7695. •HAUNTED HOUSE at Luzerne Northwoods Club. Oct. 23rd & 24th. Admission \$2, cookies, punch and coffee.
SUN 25	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
MON 26	•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
TUES 27	•GPA MEETING @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
WED 28	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.

### OCTOBER 28

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# The Bible Speaks

## Good and Bad

Every human being has some concept of good and bad. We are created moral creatures in the image of God. (Genesis 1:27). God has written some moral laws within our hearts which prick our consciences. (Romans 2:15) Almost every human being accepts God's standards for at least a selfish benefit. We don't want others to kill us. We don't want others to steal our property. We don't want others to lie to us. We don't want others to commit adultery with our wife or husband. We don't want others to covet or lust after our blessings from God. We don't want others to dishonor our parents. We don't want others to dishonor the person, image, or name of our God. Yet, some of these same people feel they should be privileged or free to abuse these same God given laws in their relationship with others.

Man may make moral excuses, but God will not accept them. The good and bad of all Christians will be judged for rewards or loss of rewards at the Judgment seat of Christ. (2 Corinthians 5:10) "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good

or bad." (Read also 1 Corinthians 3:11-15 for more details.) (1 Peter 4:17) "For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God; and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?" The good and bad works of all unsaved persons will be judged at the great white throne judgment to determine their degree of punishment in Hell. (Revelation 20:11-15). Since God's standards will be important to every human being for all eternity, they should be given more careful consideration in the here and now.

Therefore, we understand why God has pronounced judgment upon those who attempt to pervert His moral code. (Isaiah 5:20) "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" So why do people do such wicked things? (John 3:19-20) "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. (20) For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved." Even when people know their sins will destroy their

souls, they take pleasure in them. (Romans 1:32) "Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them."

God's Holy Scripture has left every human being with a choice. (Deuteronomy 30:15) "See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;" As Joshua challenged God's people: (Joshua 24:15) "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." "Pastor B"

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# Billy Graham to talk from cyberspace to youth of the world, October 24

Evangelist Billy Graham, who will be 80 years old in November, will cast a net out into cyberspace as he broadcasts the Saturday Youth Night, "Concert for the NeXt Generation", from the new Raymond James Stadium in Tampa on October 24, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The concert will combine high energy music from this year's Grammy-winning contemporary Christian artists *Jars of Clay* and *dcTalk*. "Supernatural," *dcTalk's* current release, debuted at number four on *Billboard* magazine's Top 200 - the highest for any contemporary Christian artist.

Following their sets, Rev. Graham will deliver straight talk from the Bible, assuring the

teenagers that he is concerned about their world.

People of all ages around the world can join in live via the Internet by visiting [www.billygraham.org](http://www.billygraham.org) where they can link into a special web site which will stream audio and video to an unlimited number of participants.

The program will also be available for viewing at any time at that site for one week following the broadcast. Both methods will require users to have RealPlayer on their systems, which can be downloaded free-of-charge from the site in advance.

"It is amazing how technology is being used to hurt the world," Graham said in a recent sermon. "But it is also being used to spread the Gospel on a scale that has never happened in the history of the Christian church."

Rev. Graham has included a youth emphasis in each of his stadium crusades, beginning with his Cleveland outreach in 1994. Since then, Youth Nights have broken eight consecutive stadium atten-

dance records - including one previously set by the Super Bowl at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta - with crowds as large as 88,500, eighty percent of which were under 25 years of age.

"This new generation of American youth may be in our own backyard, but they live outside the grasp of the church," said Rick Marshall, crusade director. "It's time to send the message that, when it comes to the Gospel, there is no generation gap."

The four-day Tampa Bay Billy Graham Crusade, to be held October 22-25, will be the evangelist's first crusade in the United States this year, following meetings in Ottawa, Canada in June.

Upcoming outreaches in 1999 include meetings in Indianapolis, Indiana, June 3-6, and St. Louis, Missouri, October 14-17

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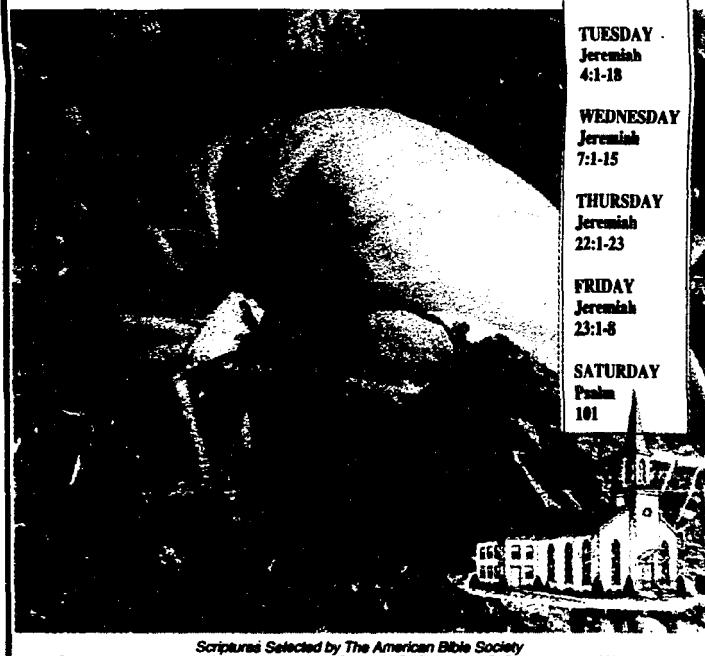
### Pumpkins and Tulips

Autumn is pumpkin time. Seeds planted last spring, which matured in the warm summer soil, have produced these vibrant orange orbs.

In contrast to the pumpkin seed, the tulip bulb was planted much later, in the cool of autumn. It developed during the winter in soil, which was cold, and, at times even frozen. Yet the tulip, too, emerges as a vibrantly colored creation.

There is another seed...the seed of faith...which may be planted at different times, depending upon the condition of the soul. Yet, whether planted early, in the springtime of youth, or later, in the autumn of their years; one truth is constant; God has promised love and mercy to all of His children, regardless of when they accept Him as their Father: "And everyone [who accepts God on faith]...will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last and the last first." (Matt. 19:29-30)

As you worship, plant your seed of faith in the care of the Creator. He tends pumpkins...and tulips.



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For information call 275-5443  
Services held at the Roscommon Community Center, Sunday mornings at 9 am, 510 South St., Roscommon, MI.

**Luzerne Baptist**

Pastor James Durfee

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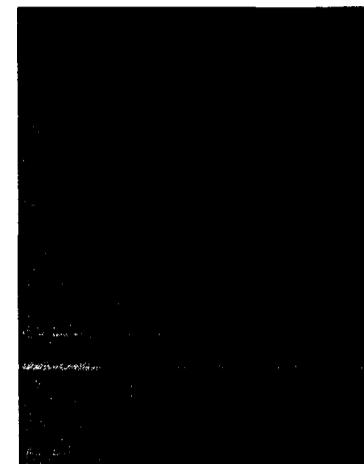
### Local realtor attends hotel, motel sales/listing seminar

Debbie Bondar, of Century 21 River Country Real Estate, recently attended a Listing and Marketing Hotels and Motels seminar at the Holiday Inn Universal in Orlando, Florida.

This seminar is part of the Century 21 Commercial Investment Network educational program for several hundred elite commercial brokers throughout the United States and several overseas countries.

The Commercial Investment Network membership share sales and listings through special Commercial Investment Internet program. This gives each member access to hundreds of listings and sales worldwide.

Bondar said that "the seminar provided forms and other specific information relative to hotel and motel sales that is not available to the general public."



Debbie Bondar

Bondar is a member of Commercial Investment Network of the Century 21 Corporation.

### New federal regulation to aid families of air crash victims

A new federal rule went into effect October 1 requiring airlines to request emergency contact information from U.S. citizens flying into, or out of, the country.

Prompted by the 1990 Aviation Security Improvement Act, the rules are strictly optional for passengers, who will be asked to fill out a simple form with the name and telephone number of a contact person to be provided to the U.S. State Department in the event of an emergency.

The rule does not apply to domestic flights.

"This procedure will make it easier to notify family members in the unlikely event that a crash occurs," said Larry Dickens, manager of Travel Sales and Market Development for AAA Travel, the state's largest and oldest travel agency.

"The information is retained for 24 hours and will remain confidential. This same information has been routinely asked when passengers travel on cruise ships," said Dickens.

The rule does not apply to

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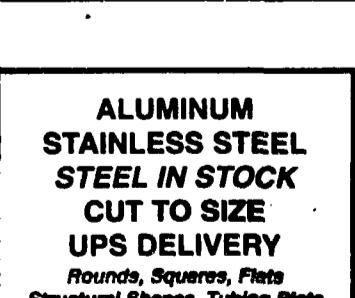
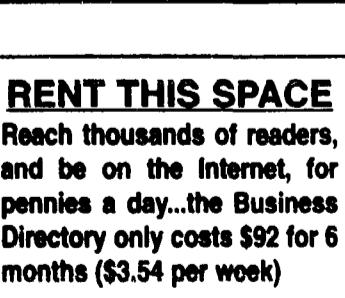
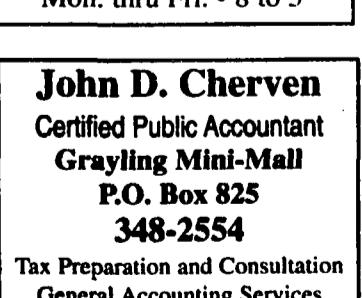
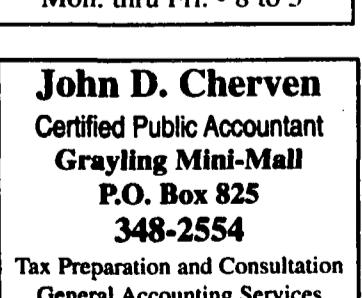
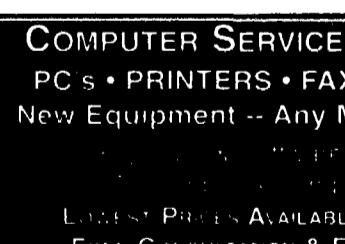
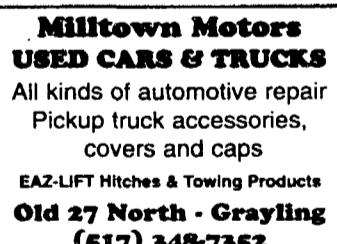
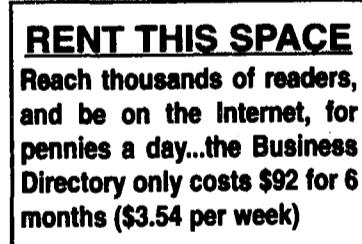
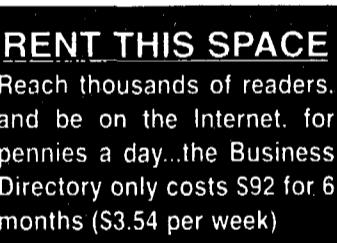
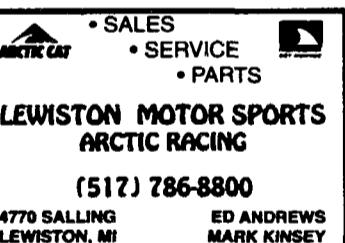


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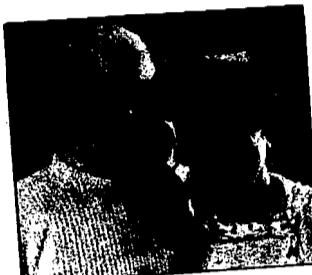
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## Top O'Michigan bills to carry new Great Lakes Energy name

Effective October 22, all bills mailed to Top O'Michigan Electric customers will bear the company's new name: Great Lakes Energy Cooperative.

The new name on the bills is one of the first changes Top O'Michigan customers will notice as the company prepares for the January 1, 1999 start-up of the new Great Lakes Energy Cooperative.

The new cooperative was created in a merger vote this summer that was overwhelmingly approved by the customer-owners of Top O'Michigan, the current Great Lakes Energy Cooperative based in Newaygo and Western Michigan Electric Cooperative of

Scottville.

Customers are encouraged to make out their payments to Great Lakes Energy Cooperative although checks made out to Top O'Michigan Electric Company will also be accepted.

Payments can continue to go to the company's main office at 1323 Boyne Ave., Boyne City. Customers can also pay their bills at the company's new service centers in Waters and Kalkaska.

The new Great Lakes Energy name and logo will soon appear on all company signs, vehicles and communications.

However, customers will still retain their local contracts with company's Boyne City, Waters,

and Kalkaska offices for their electricity, propane, heating and cooling, electrician services and other energy needs.

The three cooperatives say they believe the merger is the most effective way to strengthen the cooperative and build value for all customers in an industry facing increased competition and other changes. It will also help the cooperative expand into additional services, the most recent addition being the new electrician services that started operating from the company's Boyne City office earlier this fall.

Customers who have any comments or questions can call 1-888-GT-LAKES (1-888-485-2537).

## New head of FEMA's Region V office named

Dale Shipley, director of the Ohio Emergency Management Agency, has been appointed director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Region V by President Clinton, the agency announced today. FEMA Region V, headquartered in Chicago, coordinates FEMA mitigation, preparedness, and disaster response and recovery activities in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin.

"Dale Shipley has extensive experience in response and recovery operations and we are pleased to have his expertise at FEMA," said Director James Lee Witt. "We are also extremely pleased with the many mitigation projects Dale has

initiated and overseen in his tenure with Ohio's Emergency Management Agency. He has already shown his support for the concepts embodied in Project Impact and will be the perfect person to lead these efforts in his region in the future."

As director of the Ohio Emergency Management Agency, Shipley developed a system to improve flashflood warnings, created a Hazard Mitigation Office to manage mitigation training and more than \$16 million in mitigation projects, and coordinated design and construction of a new state-of-the-art Emergency Operations Center. He also coordinated response and recovery operations

for 18 state and eight federal disaster declarations.

Previously, Shipley held a number of significant positions in the U.S. Army, including commander of the U.S. Army Jungle Operations Training Center, staff member at the U.S. Military Academy, personnel administrator and executive officer.

He holds a bachelor's of science degree in Engineering from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y., and a master's degree in Industrial Management from Purdue University. Shipley has served as the President of the National Emergency Management Association and currently chairs that organization's Legislative Committee.

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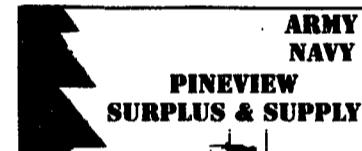
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The computer database is also used by insurers, managed care companies and international companies looking for physicians to handle complex medical cases.

Since recommendations come from prominent doctors and section chiefs of large medical centers, the list tends to include more physicians who practice at major health care

centers, but Spooner said that physicians are not chosen solely by where they practice.

"There are excellent and wonderful physicians at smaller hospitals and institutions as well," said Spooner.

"It is indeed a great honor to be recognized by my fellow physicians for my clinical abilities," said Dr. Saunders. "With the large number of excellent physicians we have in the area and with the superior med-

ical care which is delivered in northern Michigan, it is especially gratifying."

Dr. Saunders said he enjoys treating all types of patients with diseases of the skin, hair and nails and has a special interest in skin cancer and cutaneous surgery.

Dr. Saunders maintains a satellite clinic in the Milltown Clinic located at 1200 North Down River Road in Grayling.

## HealthcareConsumer Coalition formed

Amid growing concern about the impasse resulting from the recent dispute between Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan and Burns Clinic, eight Northern Michigan employers met to form a Coalition of Insured Healthcare Consumers.

Senior Managers representing

Continental Structural Plastics, Charlevoix Manufacturing, Hoskins Manufacturing, Industrial Magnetics, LexaLite International, Petoskey Electric Motor, Southdown, Thomas D. Pointner P.C., and a majority of Directors of the Northern Michigan Industrial Association met to discuss various options that are available to protect the interests of the more than 5,600 employees and family members represented by the companies attending.

Members of the coalition dis-

cussed the need to invite any employer in the combined Blue Cross/Burns Clinic service area to join the organization. Any employer insured by Blue Cross/Blue Shield and utilizing the Burns Clinic Service, who is interested in joining the organization may contact the Human Resources Department at any of the following companies: Hoskins Manufacturing (616) 547-3321, Industrial Magnetics (616) 582-3100, LexaLite International (616) 547-6584, or Southdown (616) 547-

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Coalition members discussed plans to invite senior representatives from both Blue Cross/Blue Shield and Burns Clinic to address the membership in an open forum at a time and place to be determined. In addition, the group agreed to explore alternative options by con-

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#### Rev. Larry D. Evoy

Rev. Larry D. Evoy, 62, of Grand Rapids, passed away Monday, September 28, 1998.

He was a pastor for 40 years in Pennsylvania and Michigan, the last seven years as superintendent over the 40 churches of the North Michigan Conference of the Free Methodist Church, was very active with his wife Grace in the missions trips to Latin America.

He loved all sports and the northern Michigan outdoors.

He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Grace; his children, Cheryl and Doug Stevens of Tuscon, Ariz., Connie and Rick Herter of Kalamazoo, Lariann and Phil Hertop of Bedford, Ind.; five grandchildren; his mother, Erlene Evoy of Midland; his mother- and father-in-law Adelle and Theron Boone of Fresno, Calif.; brothers Gordon and Martha Evoy of Spring Arbor, Wes and Janet Evoy of Houghton Lake, and Jeff and Debbie Evoy of Prospect, Ky.; sister Betty and Frank Wall of Twin Falls, Idaho; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Carol.

Funeral services were held October 1, 1998, at the Spring Arbor Free Methodist Church. Interment was in Davison Cemetery, Davison.

In memory of Rev. Evoy, memorials may be made to the North Michigan Conference Nicaragua School Project, or the Panama Church Property, c/o the Spring Arbor Free Methodist Church, Spring Arbor.

Arrangements were made by Reyers North Valley Chapel in Grand Rapids.

#### Russel D. Stone

Russel D. Stone, 60, of Roscommon passed away October 13, 1998.

He was born December 11, 1937, in Gaylord (Hayes Twp.) and has lived in the Roscommon area for many years. He owned R.D. Forest Products in Roscommon.

He loved his family very much and enjoyed bowling, watching videos and collecting die cast automobiles.

He is survived by his wife, Erma; children Sherry (Nelson) Kneip of Fife Lake, Brenda Stone of Grayling, Russel (Marilyn) Stone of Roscommon, and Shelly (William) Massey of St. Helen; grandchildren Shawn, Eric, Shane, Cory, Micheal, Casey, William, Chrissy, Stephanie, Ashley, Steven, Dennis, Stacy, Bradlee, William Ray, Eric and little R.D.; two great-grandchildren Nathan and Cody; sisters Jean (Martin) of Odessa, Texas, and Rosie Riggs of Denver, Colo.; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents Henry and Dorothy Stone and his brother, Johnny.

Memorial services were held October 20, 1998, from the Nelson Funeral Home in Gaylord. Pastor James N. Kent officiated. Burial was in Hayes Twp. Cemetery in Gaylord.

Arrangements were made by Nelson Funeral Home, Inc., of Gaylord.

Wallace S. Carpenter

Wallace S. Carpenter, 89, of Grayling, passed away October 16, 1998 at Mercy Manor.

He was born in Canada on June 10, 1909.

He came to the United States in the 1950's and previously was a resident of Mio. He has lived in Grayling for four years. He was a retired electronic engineer in television repair.

He married Ruth N. Acton on March 10, 1998, in a simple ceremony held in his hospital room at Grayling Mercy Hospital. They had met at an Easter dinner in 1993, and their journey together began after he repaired her television set.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth N. (Acton) Carpenter; a son, Victor Carpenter of Canada; one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Gertrude.

A graveside service was held at Luzerne Cemetery, Luzerne, on October 21, 1998.

Arrangements were handled by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

#### Benoni LeRoy Brannam

Benoni LeRoy Brannam, 84, of Beaver Creek Township, passed away October 18, 1998, at Hilltop Manor in Roscommon.

He was born in Newaygo County on February 15, 1914, the son of Nihl W. and Elva E. (Mooney) Brannam.

He married Marjorie L. Miller March 22, 1977 in New Baltimore.

He previously resided in Roseville. He was retired inspector for Radar Industries in Roseville.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; sons, Nihl (Marilyn) Brannam of Muskegon and Edwin Brannam and fiance Tammy Deyell of Roscommon; step-daughters Kimberly (David) Harden of Higgins Lake and Mary (Dennis) Beebe of St. Helen; step-sons, Robert Hensley and Douglas (Lisa) Hensley both of Hazel Park; 25 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; and former wife Mary Maxine Tobby.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Sidney William and Wyant Merrill; sister Monabelle Brannam; brother Merrill Brannam; and second wife, Nettie Margaret Brannam.

Funeral services will be held at 2

p.m. on Thursday, October 22, 1998, at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel in Grayling. Rev. Lawrence E. Cook will officiate. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Beaver Creek Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Calvary Assembly of God Church, Roscommon.

#### In Loving Memory Of Maurice LeRoy Alma who passed away five years ago on October 21, 1993

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Silent is the voice we loved to hear  
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there.

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## RANGE FIRING

Camp Grayling Range Firing scheduled, during the period October 21 through October 27, 1998.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road).

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

For further information, call (517) 344-0153.

The Spooky Monster Magic Show! will be Saturday, October 24, at 11 a.m. at the Crawford County Library with the Magician of AHHH's Gordon Russ.

The haunted Magic Trunk is chock full of monster magic, spooky tricks and hilarious horrors and Gordon's amazing friends Frankenstein's Monster, Witchy Poo and the magically appearing spooky rabbit, Bunicula!

The 45 minute show will have spooky music and monster props to delight children of all ages.

Bookmark designs for Children's Book Week are still being accepted

at the Crawford County Library until November 2. For more information, call 348-9214.

The Crawford County Library is open Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Lovells Township Library is open Tuesday 10 a.m.-12 noon, Wednesday 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m.-12 noon, and Saturday 12 noon-3 p.m. Phone is 348-9215.

The Frederic Community Library is open Monday-Tuesday 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesday-Thursday 1 p.m.-6 p.m. Phone is 348-4067.

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## FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News

**MEMBERSHIPS** - Due to unfavorable weather conditions last year, we are offering memberships at huge discounted rates.

Purchased by November 13:

Downhill Ind. \$100

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**SPOOKFEST** - Free candy, games and contest Saturday, October 31, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Haunted House may be visited Friday, the 30th and Saturday the 31st from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. for \$1 admission.

**SPOOKFEST VOLUNTEERS** - The spookfest decorating and planning committee will meet Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the main lodge at Hanson Hills, throughout the month of October. We need volunteers! On Halloween from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. to help with game and crowd control. Donations that will complete the fun are candy, corn stalks, black lights, and treats.

**SNOWBOARD CLUB** - Join the club and receive community service hours for High School Graduation. It is a great time spent with friends helping our community. Season memberships may also be worked off through this club. For more information call Jessica at 348-9266.

**ATTENTION BOARDERS** - Meetings for the club are Tuesdays at 6 p.m. in the Main Lodge at

Hanson Hills.

**SOCCER STEERING COMMITTEE** - A meeting will take place Thursday morning, October 22, at 8 a.m. in the Fred Bear Memorial Center to discuss and plan soccer field.

**OPEN HOUSE** - Friday, November 20, 1998 from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. in the Main Lodge at Hanson Hills Winter Sports Park. Bring the entire family and enjoy home made soup, live musical entertainment and lots of information pertaining to Hanson Hills.

**THE OUTBACK** - Hanson Hills is pleased to announce 2,288 feet of new terrain. The Outback consists of two new ski hills and is a day area only.

**OPENING THANKSGIVING** - Hanson Hills is planning to add three weeks to the season by opening on Thanksgiving weekend. Buy early and save up to \$100 on season passes.

**INTERNET** - Visit us at our new

home page- [www.hansonhills.org](http://www.hansonhills.org) or e-mail us at [hanhills@mich.com](mailto:hanhills@mich.com). You can check out all the happenings at Hanson Hills.

**FACILITY RENTAL** - The Fred Bear Memorial Center has new paint and carpeting. Don't forget - The building is available for meetings. We have facilities for your parties, reunions and events. The gym is an excellent place for a birthday party or rainy day use at only \$15 an hour. The main lodge is \$175 per day. Please call 348-9266.

**SOCCER FUND RAISER** - Be ready to order submarine sandwiches when you are approached by the GRA Soccer players. The money will be used to build the much needed new soccer fields.

**GRA BOARD MEETING** - The regularly scheduled monthly Board meeting of Grayling Recreation Authority has been changed to Thursday, October 22, 1998, at 7 p.m. in the Fred Bear Memorial Center.

## DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT.

District Health Department No. 10 has scheduled the following clinics at the Grayling office. Appointments are recommended or required for all clinics. Please call 348-7800 for information on these clinics and our Environmental Health Services.

Immunization Clinics: November 4, 9, 18 and 23.

Family Planning: November 6, 13 and 24.

Premarital Class: November 10

and 18.

Optional/Confidential HIV/AIDS testing: November 5 and 19.

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: November 9, 16, 18, 20 and 30.

WIC-Frederic Satellite Clinic: November 20.

Maternal Support Service for Pregnant Women: Call for information any day.

## YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/  
Social Security Administration

### Public using agency's fraud hotline

An effort to encourage the public's participation in protecting Social Security programs from fraud and abuse is paying off in calls to the agency's new fraud hotline. More than 75,000 calls and an average of 75 letters a week have been received by the hotline during its first six months. The figures are contained in the Agency's Inspector General's Semi-Annual Report to the Congress.

The report also indicated that during the first six months of fiscal year 1997, the Office of Inspector General opened 2,307 and closed 788 investigations, obtained 395 criminal convictions as a result of investigations and reported more than \$11.5 million in fines, judgments, and restitutions.

According to the report, most fraud allegations fall into one of four categories: Social Security numbers

(obtaining a Social Security number based on false information, counterfeiting Social Security cards); program fraud (concealment of work activity, false claims, forgery); employee fraud (mismanagement, unauthorized activities); and other types of fraud (deceptive advertising, mail fraud, receiving benefits for children not in recipient's care).

"It's important that we recognize that we all have a responsibility to protect the Social Security program from fraudulent activity," stated Acting Social Security Commissioner John Callahan. "We all lose when program costs increase due to fraud and abuse."

The hotline telephone number is 1-800-269-0271. The address is Social Security Administration, Office of Inspector General, P.O. Box 17768, Baltimore, Maryland 21235.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following incidents were reported for the week of October 5 through October 11, 1998:

One hazard SB, two criminal sexual conducts, one assault, two burglaries, two larcenies, two frauds, four property damage, seven public peace, two citations, eight health and safety.

One invasion privacy, one conservation, two miscellaneous crimes, seven minors, one runaway, eleven accidents, one nontraffic accident, one civil traffic.

Five traffic safety PR, eight false alarms, two fires, one hazardous condition, one vehicle inspection, six civil/family trouble, six suspicious situations, and 25 general noncriminal.

The Crawford County Sheriff Department responded to a total of 110 incidents.

The following incidents were reported for the week of October 12 through October 19, 1998:

## HONORS

Bradley M. Thompson, of Grayling, was named a Degree Candidate at the College of Literature, Science and the Arts of the University of Michigan.

Some 1,300 University of Michigan students on the Ann Arbor campus were named Degree Candidates as of August 27.

Three assaults, four burglaries, five larcenies, one vehicle theft, one family/child, six public peace, one OUIL/OUID, three citations, nine health and safety, three miscellaneous criminal.

Four minors, one runaway, six accidents, four false alarms, five other accidents, five civil/family trouble, seven suspicious situations, one lost/found property, one natural death, and 22 general noncriminal.

The Crawford County Sheriff Department responded to a total of 92 incidents.

### Clarification

In an article under the "Hometown News" header in last week's Avalanche regarding Chris Bindschatel the last paragraph should have read:

"Bindschatel is the son of James and Donna Carmean of Grayling, and Marty and Marlene Bindschatel of Frederic."

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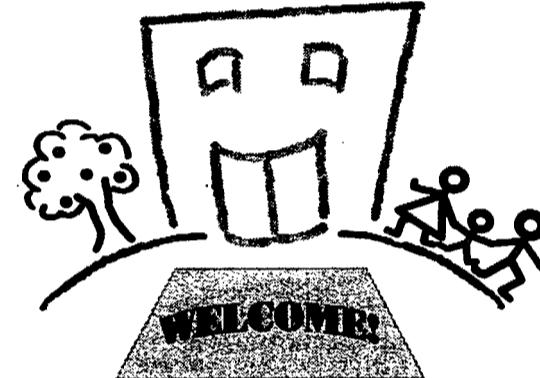
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• Sat. & Sun. 2:15 & 4:15

**What Dreams May Come - PG-13 (113)**  
Starring - Robin Williams & Anabella Sciorra  
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**Practical Magic - PG-13 (105)**  
Starring - Sandra Bullock & Nicole Kidman  
• 7:15 & 9:15 Nightly  
• Sat. & Sun. 2:15 & 4:15

**One True Thing - R (158)**  
Starring - Meryl Streep & Renée Zellweger  
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• Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4:15

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## Children's Halloween concert includes costume contest

The *Classical Lites Halloween Children's Concert* will be performed Saturday, October 31, at 3:30 p.m., in the Lars Hocksted Auditorium in Traverse City.

The concert will be preceded by an *Instrument Exploration* at 2:30 p.m.

formed which do not have a Halloween theme include the *Yankee Doodle Fugue* by Sousa, and *Fantasy on the Marine's Hymn* by Ployhar.

The event will include a costume contest parade for the children across the stage with prizes to the winners.

Kathy Verstraete, Costume Designer at Old Town Playhouse, will judge the very best costumes for originality and presentation in the following age groups: six and under; ages 7 - 10; and 10 and above.

For those children interested in exploring some of the instruments of the *Wind Orchestra*, musicians will be ready to help at 2:30 p.m. in the hall next to the auditorium. All students wishing to be in the costume parade must be at the auditorium to register by 3 p.m.

Tickets are on sale - \$3 (advance) or \$4 (door), at Encore's office located in the Consumers Energy Building at 821 Hastings Street in Traverse City. Office hours are 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Or, purchase tickets at Selby Music on Garfield Avenue in Traverse City.

Call (616) 486-7200 (Encore) or (616) 946-4848 (Selby Music) for more information and directions to the auditorium.



**A NEW EXPERIENCE** - This young man is getting to try out a clarinet during *Instrument Exploration*, an educational program offered prior to the *Classical Lites Halloween Children's Concert*, at 3:30 p.m., October 31, in Traverse City.

## New Harvey Theatre an impressive addition to Interlochen Center for the Arts

The new Harvey Theatre, already in use by students at Interlochen Center of the Arts, will have its theatrical debut when the Moliere comedy *The Miser* opens October 30.

The \$2 million facility, six months in the making and years in the planning, blends beautifully with Interlochen's revered rustic setting. The central location, next to *Corson Auditorium*, will quickly make the Harvey Theatre familiar to audiences.

The theater of the 11,000 square-foot building has 178 fixed seats, and up to 60 more can be added on floor for capacity shows. The theater itself has comfortable seats, steps marked by footlights, and an overall sleek, modern look to the venue.

Though the opening of the Harvey Theatre has been highly anticipated, the existing Phoenix Theatre will continue to be used during the theatrical season. The Harvey Theatre will serve predominantly as a teaching space yet also as a production venue.

David Montee, Interlochen's theater chair, points to Harvey's grid lighting system as a major asset. This allows those securing lights to walk above the stage on cross-cable grids without interrupting rehearsals. Montee notes the expansive rehearsal space as a plus. The theater has new air-conditioning and heating systems housed in a separate building, meaning that air or heat can turn on without interfering with performances.

The new theater was named after former Camp theater director Jim Harvey, in recognition of the substantial commitment he and friend Bill Henderson have made to Interlochen's theater arts program, as well as to the Campaign for Interlochen.

The Interlochen theater season opens with *The Miser*, one of Moliere's comic masterpieces, at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, October 30 and 31, and at 2 p.m., Sunday, November 1, in the new Harvey Theatre. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for seniors and students 18 and under.

For tickets/information, call the Interlochen Box Office at (616) 276-6230. Box office hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.

to 4:30 p.m., and Saturday, noon to 4 p.m.

### Thanksgiving dinner volunteers to meet

The Crawford Ausable Thanksgiving Committee (C.A.T.C.) will meet on Thursday, October 29, at 6:30 p.m., in the fellowship hall of St. John Lutheran Church on Spruce Street, in Grayling. Anyone interested in helping the committee with any aspect of the 5th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner, to be held November 26, from 12 noon to 3 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall, is asked to attend this meeting or to call Therese Kaiser at 348-7651 or 348-1340. Volunteers are needed for planning, preparation, set-up and delivery of meals.

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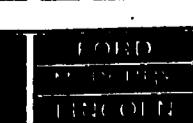
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# Charitable contributions: fact and fiction

A couple who contributed several hundred dollars to help neighbors provide medical care for their disabled child was surprised to learn that they could not claim a charitable deduction on their tax return for their contributions.

If stories like this one have you wondering what's fact and what's fiction when it comes to deducting charitable donations, the Michigan Association of CPA's offers the following advice to help you make the most of your charitable contributions.

**Donations made to disabled or homeless individuals:**

**Fiction.** No matter how needy the recipient or how good your intentions, contributions to individuals are not deductible. In order to claim a deduction, you must make your contribution to a qualified organization.

As a rule of thumb, a qualified organization is a nonprofit charitable, religious, or educational group that meets government guidelines. IRS Publication 78, which is periodically updated, provides a list of qualified organizations.

**Donations of used clothing to charity:**

**Fact.** You may deduct the fair market value of used clothing you contribute to charity. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) says that the fair market value of used clothing is the amount one would pay for these items in a thrift shop or second-hand clothes store.

The same rule applies to donations of furniture and other household items. However, you must have a statement from the organization acknowledging the gift and describing the property.

**Your canceled check is sufficient proof of any donation:**

**Fiction.** Your canceled check is sufficient proof only if the donation is under \$250. However, if you make a single donation of \$250 or more to a charity, you need a contemporaneous written acknowledgement from the organization. Note that this rule applies only to a single donation.

There is generally no need for you to get written confirmations if you make five separate \$100 donations to the same charity, even though the aggregate amount exceed \$250. However, anti-abuse rules apply. You have until the filing due date of your return to obtain the written acknowledgment.

**Services you perform on behalf of charities:**

**Fiction.** The value of your services is not deductible, but your volunteer efforts do entitle you to deduct the cost of unreimbursed out-of-pocket expenses, such as the cost of stationery, postage, and telephone calls, you incur on behalf of the charitable organization.

Under limited circumstances, allowable deductions also include travel expenses and a reasonable amount for lodging and meals. Just be sure to keep detailed records of your expenses.

**There is no limit for deductible charitable contributions:**

**Fiction.** Be as generous as you like, but keep in mind that there are deduction ceilings for very substantial donations. The amount you can deduct depends on whether you donate cash or property and the type of charity to which you donate.

For cash contributions, the deduction ceiling is generally 50 percent of your adjusted gross income, but, in some cases, a 30-percent limit applies.

For appreciated property donations, the deduction limit is general-

ly 30 percent of adjusted gross income. In any case, it's a good idea to consult with a CPA or other tax professional when making large charitable contributions.

**Contributions of appreciated property provide additional tax benefits:**

**Fact.** The easiest way to contribute to a charity may be to write a check, but if you plan to make a sizable donation, you can save more in taxes by contributing property that has appreciated in value and qualifies as long-term capital gains property. That's because in addition to the deduction you earn for the contribution, you avoid paying the capital gains tax that would be due if you sold the investment yourself. It makes no difference to the charity as a tax-exempt entity, it will not

incur the capital gains tax when it sells your gift.

**If you receive a gift in return for a donation, your deduction is limited:**

**Fact.** If you contribute \$500 to attend a fundraising dinner for your church or synagogue, and the fair market value of the dinner is \$100, your deduction is limited to \$400 -- the difference between your donation and what you received in exchange. In such instances, the charity must tell you how much of your donation is deductible.

**The cost of raffle tickets:**

**Fiction.** There is no charitable contribution deduction for raffle tickets because you have a chance of winning something. The same holds true for state-sponsored lotteries.

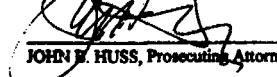
## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE VOTERS OF DISTRICT #5 ON BEHALF OF ELIZABETH WIELAND

The November 3rd General Election for County Commissioner is crucial to the future of Crawford County which is faced with serious problems if the new board is not capable of change.

That is the reason why we are recommending and endorsing the election of **ELIZABETH WIELAND**. Beth has a proven common sense record of public service, having served first as the Grayling Township clerk for 10 years and then as the Crawford County Clerk for 13 years.

You know that Beth has not only the prerequisite experience and integrity but the courage to do the job that needs to be done as evidenced by her distinguished and honorable career in local government. With her candor and leadership we have a unique opportunity to elect a person to office who was not a "part of the problem" but with her "know how" can be an important part of the solution.

Thank you for your consideration, and above all else please remember to vote.

  
JOHN B. HUSS, Prosecuting Attorney

  
DAVID LOVELY, Crawford County Sheriff

  
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PO Box 948, Grayling, Michigan

## An open letter to the community from Burns Clinic:

### We care about you and want to answer your questions.

As you may have heard, Burns Clinic is changing its participation status with Blue Cross/ Blue Shield of Michigan insurance plans.

We regret that this change has caused concern for many of our patients.

It is an action we believe is absolutely necessary in order for Burns Clinic to provide patients with the same top-quality medical care people in our community have enjoyed since 1931.

About visits to your family practice physician

Nothing will change until January 2000 for family physician visits at our Burns Clinic branches in Bellaire, Gaylord, Rogers City, St. Ignace, Sault Ste. Marie or at Petoskey Family Medicine, Petoskey Urgent Care and Bay View Family Medicine in Petoskey.

And even after January 2000, you will be welcome as patients at our branch offices.

In the meantime, your Blue Cross/Blue Shield coverage will work as it always has for visits to your family practice physician.

About Burns Clinic specialty care

You will see differences for all Burns Clinic specialty care, laboratory and X-ray services beginning January 1999. Internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology and pediatrics are all considered specialties.

We do want to emphasize that you are still welcome as patients for specialty care no matter what your insurance coverage.

Burns Clinic will continue to file insurance claims for patients just as we do today.

However, payment will be expected at the time of service. Patients are welcome to use VISA, MasterCard, Discover, cash or check.

Special financial arrangements can be made for patients who are unable to pay at the time of service.

We care about you and want to answer your questions.

If you have questions about how this will affect you, please call us

at 487-2080 or 1-800-555-9728.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield will send any reimbursement directly to you. There may be a difference between what Blue Cross/ Blue Shield pays and the actual charges for the medical services.

In the case of an office visit, this is a minimal additional out-of-pocket cost. For other procedures, the amount may be larger.

Medicare benefits will not be affected by this change.

We made this decision reluctantly and only after cost reductions in our own operations, and after repeated discussions with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan.

If we are to preserve the quality of health care in the northern Michigan area, we must continue to attract highly qualified doctors and keep them in the community.

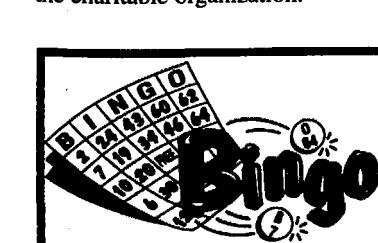
Our goal is to continue the Burns Clinic mission to deliver excellent and cost-effective medical care.

Please don't hesitate to call if we can help you during this transition.



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 <p><b>Bingo</b></p> <p>Sunday - 1:30 pm</p> <p><b>Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465</b> Eagles Club, 602 Huron Grayling</p>	
<p><b>Wednesday - 6:30 pm</b></p> <p><b>Knights of Columbus</b> K of C Hall, 604 Norway Grayling</p>	
<p>Thursday - 7 pm</p> <p><b>American Legion Hall</b> Post 466 - Grayling</p>	
<p><b>Friday - 6:30 pm</b></p> <p><b>Grayling Eagles Aerie #3465</b> Eagles Club, 602 Huron Grayling</p>	
<p><b>Saturday - 6:30 pm</b></p> <p><b>Frederic Volunteer Fire Department</b> Frederic, Lower Peninsula</p>	

## The Crawford County Republican Committee Supports the Following Candidates for State or County Office

### State Office



State Senator  
George McManus



State Representative  
Ken Bradstreet

### County Office

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 Harold "Tike" Golnick

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2 Scott M. Hanson

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 3 Shelley L. Pinkleman

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 4 Lynnette S. Corlew

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5 Robert Smock

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 6 Terry Beardslee

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**MEET THE CANDIDATE** - William Fraser, (left) First Vice President of the National Association Civilian Conservation Corps, meets State House Republican candidate Ken Bradstreet (center) to discuss his organization's issues at Representative Allen Lowe's office hours at the Crawford County Building on October 9. Lowe (right) had also invited Democratic candidate Elaine Felts, of Mio, to attend, but she did not reply. Photo by Cheryll Ruley



## Stupak honored with health care award

The National Association of Rural Health Clinics (NARHC) honored Congressman Bart Stupak (D-MI) as the recipient of NARHC's 1998 Congressional Champion Award.

Congressman Stupak was recognized for his work during the 105th Congress to ensure access to health care in underserved rural communities throughout the United States.

"Congressman Stupak has been a strong and consistent advocate in Congress on behalf of rural communities and the need to improve access to health care for these communities," said Ron Nelson, PA-C, past-president of NARHC and a Michigan resident.

According to Bill Finerfrock, Executive Director of NARHC, "If it were not for Congressman Stupak's advocacy, Congress would have discontinued the Medicaid portion of the Rural Health Clinics program in 1997."

Congressman Stupak didn't just speak up, he lead the charge to restore the RHC program for rural underserved communities," Finerfrock said.

"On behalf of the more than 3,000 federally certified Rural Health

Clinics in the United States, we thank you Congressman, for your vision and your voice," said Nelson.

Rural Health Clinics are primary care clinics located in rural underserved areas throughout the United States.

In order to receive federal certification as a Rural Health Clinic, facilities must be located in rural communities that are designated by the federal government medically

underserved or health professional shortage areas.

In addition, Governor's have the authority to designate areas as underserved for purposes of establishing rural health clinics.

Clinics receiving the RHC designation receive cost-based reimbursement from both Medicare and Medicaid in lieu of traditional fee-for-service payments. In addition, these clinics must utilize a team

approach to health care delivery. The RHC health care team must include a physician, as well as a physician assistant, nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife.

Established in 1977, the RHC program has made health care available in thousands of rural communities that would have otherwise been without affordable, accessible, quality primary care services.

## Rep. Camp named 1998 Thomas Jefferson Award recipient

U.S. Representative Camp was presented with the 1998 *Thomas Jefferson Award*, given to members of Congress who have voted consistently in support of sound fiscal policy, minimal government regulations and other free market principles crucial to the health of the nation's economy.

"It is an honor to be recognized with the 1998 *Thomas Jefferson Award*," said Camp. "I strongly believe that the federal government needs to promote economic growth and job creation. That is why I will continue my work to preserve the balanced budget, reduce taxes and eliminate burdensome regulations for small businesses, family farms — and all

families throughout Mid-Michigan and America."

Of the several hundred votes cast during the 105th Congress, nine votes were selected that were considered critical to the economic well-being of the nation. Recipients of the 1998 *Thomas Jefferson Award* voted favorably on at least 75 percent of these votes. Among the key votes were the balanced budget and the tax limitation amendment making it more difficult for Congress to raise taxes.

The award program was inspired by the philosophies and writings of Thomas Jefferson, who in his first inaugural address noted that "a wise and frugal government...which shall

leave men otherwise free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement, and shall not take from the mouth of labor the bread it has earned. This is the sum of good government."

The custom designed award features a sculpted replica of Thomas Jefferson framed by four "pillars of prosperity" - agriculture, commerce, navigation and manufacturers - enterprises that Jefferson felt were crucial to the success of the American economy. The *Thomas Jefferson Award* program is sponsored by Food Distributors International every other year to coincide with the adjournment of each Congress.

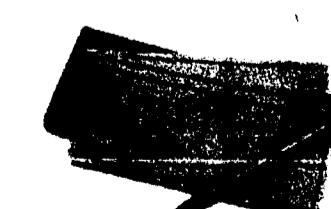
A STORY THAT EVERY BANK WOULD LIKE TO TELL,  
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## The check that didn't bounce

A lady was returning home to Northport after a shopping spree in Traverse City, where she'd had a ball writing checks for her lovely purchases. Suddenly, she realized she may have overextended her checking account, so she drove straight to an Empire Bank branch in a panic. Alas, the bank was closed. There were lights on inside, though, so she ran across the street and called, determined to catch someone. Teller Martha Roberts had just finished closing things up for the day when the phone rang. And as soon as Martha heard the distress in the woman's voice, she told her to come right over. Faster than you can say "open sesame," the doors were unlocked and the customer made her deposit. The woman couldn't believe that a bank would reopen just to help put her mind at ease. Well, that's why we've been around for 86 years and it's another story only Empire Bank can tell.

Signed,

Jim Dutmers  
Chairman, Empire Bank



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## Secretary Miller unveils license plate renewal by Internet

Secretary of State Candice S. Miller has announced that her office will give Michigan motorists another convenient option for renewing their license plates, this time on the Internet.

This announcement makes the Secretary of State's office the first state department in Michigan to give residents the opportunity to pay fees on the Internet and marks the third time the Secretary of State's office has unveiled a new convenient option for renewing license plates in as many years.

"Early in my administration we made a commitment to use tech-

nology to improve customer service," Secretary Miller said today. "Nothing could be more in keeping with that commitment than giving our customers the option of using the Internet to do business with our office."

Motorists will be eligible to renew using the Internet if they are willing to pay registration fees by credit card and have vehicle insurance with a company participating in the Secretary of State's electronic insurance verification program.

To date, the department has received electronic insurance verification for nearly 2.9 million

vehicles from a total of 16 participating insurance companies. More companies are expected to join, which will raise the weekly percentage of registrations eligible for renewal by Internet and touch-tone telephone from 45 to 65 percent.

The Internet renewal program is similar to the touch-tone telephone renewal of license plates. Motorists eligible to renew on the Internet must have a nine-digit PIN on the lower left side of their vehicle renewal notice. The PIN indicates that insurance for the vehicle has been verified.

To renew by Internet the

motorist uses a personal computer with an Internet connection and secured web browser. After verifying that the name and address on the renewal notice are correct and that the license plate has not expired, they access the Secretary of State web site at: [www.sos.state.mi.us/renew.html](http://www.sos.state.mi.us/renew.html).

Motorists must read the important notice regarding security issues and then complete the online renewal form. Payment of fees must be made by a valid Discover, MasterCard or VISA. By providing an e-mail address, the motorist will receive confirmation that the transaction has been received.

Once the transaction has been processed, license plate tabs and two copies of the registration will be sent by mail to the vehicle owner within seven days.

The Internet renewal option is also being extended to watercraft owners whose boat registrations are up for renewal.

The Secretary of State unveiled renewal by fax in April 1995 and watercraft registration renewal by touch-tone telephone in February 1996. A touch-tone renewal program for license plates was unveiled in November 1997.

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*"What Helps Youth, Helps  
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All members, guests & potential members welcome.

## GPA asks for community's help

For the past ten years the Grayling Promotional Association (GPA) has organized and produced the AuSable River Festival Parade.

Each year a theme is chosen and float entries are invited for the "Best of Theme" and other categories.

In the past two years fewer and fewer float entries have been entered into the parade by local business associations, organizations

and clubs, as well as neighboring communities.

Therefore, GPA, in the hope of stimulating interest in the parade and getting more business and professional people to put a float in the parade, is asking the community to write or call them and GPA. Please include a phone number when writing.

The address is: Grayling Promotional Association P.O. Box 150, Grayling, MI 49738. Or call (517) 348-9724, evening only.

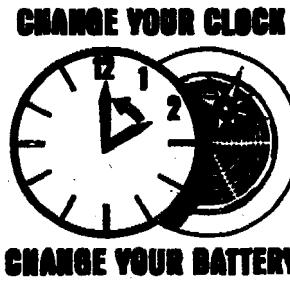
## Change your clock, change your battery

Yes, your home has smoke detectors - but are they working properly? Will they save your life in case of a fire?

The good news is that more American homes have smoke detectors in them than ever before, nearly 92%. The bad news is that nearly one-third of these detectors do not work because of worn or missing batteries. Working smoke detectors cut the risk of dying in a home fire nearly in half by providing an early warning and critical extra seconds to escape.

The Michigan State Fire Marshal's office and the International Association of Fire Chiefs are participating in a national home fire safety program called "Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery." "Change" urges Americans to adopt a lifesaving habit: changing smoke detector batteries when clocks are changed back from daylight savings time each fall. This year's change occurs on Sunday, October 25.

"We need to remind Michigan residents of the importance of installing fresh batteries in their smoke detectors to ensure they are working



in case of a fire," said Capt. Wade Schaefer, State Fire Marshal. "According to fire incident statistics for 1997, smoke detectors operated in only 21% of the 13,534 residential fires reported in this state. Properly working smoke detectors DOUBLE your chances of surviving a fire."

As the home heating and holiday seasons approach, take the time to make sure your homes are fire safe and that you give yourself and your family adequate time to escape a fire. You'll sleep better at night!

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- Fuel Pump
- Ignition Wire Set
- Individual Ignition Wires
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- Oxygen Sensor
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# NOTES NORTHERN

Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

**Inside:**  
Redskins, GHS  
Football, Bowling,  
GMS Basketball

Thursday, October 22, 1998

## GHS Varsity Soccer wins conference title

With two blowout victories last week against Pinconning and West Branch, GHS Soccer clinched first place in the North East Michigan Conference. This is quite an achievement considering the GHS team record was 0-17-1 in its rookie year just two seasons ago.

Grayling has made the improvements with a smothering defense that has held their NEMC opponents to only 12 goals in twelve games and a high powered offense that has scored 50 goals.

Grayling's only loss in conference play was to Oscoda, who finished third in the NEMC with three losses.

Second place went to Tawas with two losses in the conference. Both were at the hands of the Vikings, including a double overtime loss the second time around.

Tawas was the conference co-champions last year with Saginaw Valley Lutheran. The GHS conference record was 11-1 and the overall record was 14-2-2. In non-conference match-ups Grayling defeated Gaylord 2-1 early in the season and tied Petoskey and Cheboygan to go undefeated against Big North Conference teams.

GHS started off the week with an 8-1 victory over Pinconning in the first soccer match ever in Ferguson Stadium. The GHS team dominated from the opening whistle with controlled passing, excellent positioning and aggressive play.

The Viking offense took an incredible 39 shots on goal. The scoring started slowly in the first half. Kyle Langseth scored first on an assist by Eric Thompson at 10 minutes into the game. GHS missed several scoring opportunities just wide or above the net until Mike Pappas made it 2-0 with two minutes left in the half.

In the second half Langseth scored within three minutes on an

assist from Jeremy Jones. Pappas scored again at 17 minutes on a smart play when the Pinconning keeper was slow to clear the ball.

Langseth added two more unassisted goals at the 26 and 27 minute marks. Daniel Nardi and Max Kotlik, who both scored their first goals for Grayling, completed the scoring. Nardi is a foreign exchange student from Brazil and Kotlik is from Russia.

The GHS defense of Kane Madsen, Jeremy Millikin, Dave Hawkins and Colin Hunter again demonstrated why they are the best in the NEMC by holding Pinconning to only four shots on goal in 80 minutes.

Pinconning did score in the final few minutes of play on a penalty kick awarded for a push in the penalty area.

Grayling needed a win or a tie on Wednesday night over West Branch/Ogemaw Heights to have sole possession of first place in the conference.

A loss would have let Tawas in for a share of the championship.

The previous game had been a 2-1 victory for Grayling at West Branch. Between the importance of the game to the Vikings and their confidence at having won close games with Tawas and Saginaw Valley Lutheran, GHS just blew out the West Branch team 7-0.

The score could have been even more lopsided with many Grayling shots sailing just wide of the goal.

The GHS control passing game and team speed frustrated the West Branch team, which never really got in the game.

Langseth started the scoring at 9 minutes with a 35-yard shot that curved past the keeper.

Thompson made it 2-0 on a penalty kick at 15 minutes into the first half. Jeremy Jones and Langseth finished the first half scoring at the 28 and 34 minute

marks to put Grayling up 4-0 at half.

The GHS midfield of Jon Haskel Brian McCurdy, Derek Gregorich and Josh Petrie dominated with ball control passing and great teamwork.

Langseth scored at 11 minutes into the second half followed by Jones and Haskel.

Thompson had a stellar night with four assists in the scoring. Petrie and Gregorich both had assists as well.

GHS ended up with 22 shots on goal compared to 12 for West Branch. After the game the team took a victory lap around Ferguson Field to enjoy the first GHS Soccer conference championship and savor the moment after a very tough season.

"I have always believed in this team," said Coach Karen Langseth, "and to win the Conference Championship in just the third season is a great accomplishment. Now we have to put the

Conference Championship behind us and play the District games as if this were the start of a new season."

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The Vikings started post season play with Bellaire, a team they had never played before.

Grayling won that game 2-0 Monday night in Bellaire. Langseth and Jones scored the two goals for the Vikings. See next week's *Avalanche* for a complete story on the Bellaire game.

Grayling's next District game will be against Cheboygan on Wednesday, October 21, at 4 p.m. The game will be played in Grayling.

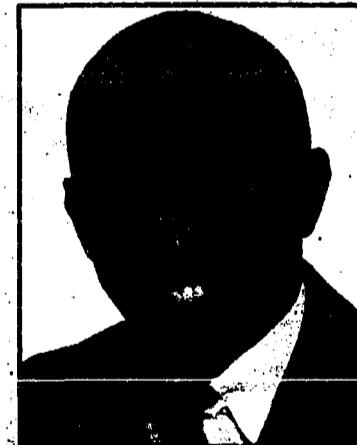
Cheboygan plays against the larger schools in the Big North Conference and has developed an excellent team based on great ball handling skills and a finesse passing game.

Cheboygan won the Districts last year beating Sault Ste. Marie and Roscommon.



**NEMC CHAMPIONS** -- The members of the Grayling High School Soccer Team at Bellaire, where they won their first round District game by a score of 2-0. Grayling won the North East Michigan Conference in soccer this year with an impressive 11-1 conference record. GHS sealed the conference title with wins at home under the lights at Viking Stadium against West Branch and Pinconning. The Vikings will play at home against Cheboygan in the next round of Districts. Kick-off is at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21.

## Candidates for Michigan Supreme Court on November 3 ballot



**Judge Jeffrey G. Collins**  
Republican

Judge Jeffrey G. Collins, a native of Detroit, currently sits on the Wayne County Circuit Court. Since January 1998 Collins has presided over felony cases in Wayne County from arraignment to trial to sentencing.

Collins graduated with honors from Howard University School of Law in 1984. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Northwestern University in 1981. He practiced law for eight years before being appointed to the Detroit Recorder's Court bench in June of 1994. In November of 1996 he was elected to a six-year term.

Judge Collins has served as President of the Association of Black Judges of Michigan,

Adjunct Professor at Wayne State University Law School and Chairperson of the Criminal Advocacy Program of Detroit/Wayne County.

He has also worked as a legal consultant for various television stations and newspapers.

Collins and his wife Lois, who is also an attorney, have two children: Justin, 7, and Jessica, 5.

Chief Judge Maura D. Corrigan graduated Magna Cum Laude from Marygrove College in 1969 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She then went on to the University of Detroit Law School, where she graduated Cum Laude with a Juris Doctor.

Chief Judge Maura D. Corrigan Republican

In March of 1992 Corrigan was appointed to the Michigan Court of Appeals by Governor Engler. In 1992 she was elected to a partial term and was re-elected in 1994 to a full, six-year term.

Corrigan has served as president of the Incorporated Society of Irish American Lawyers and the Detroit Chapter of the Federal Bar Association.

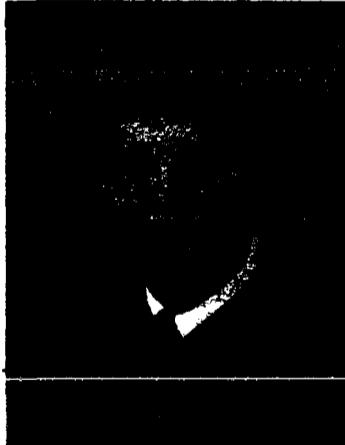
She is currently an executive board member of the Michigan Judges Association and a commissioner of the Michigan Law Revision Commission.

Corrigan has been married for 22 years to Wayne State University Law Professor Joseph D. Grand and is the mother of Megan, 20, and Daniel, 16.

Justice Clifford W. Taylor graduated from the University of Michigan in 1964 and received his law degree from George Washington University in 1967.

Following service in the U.S. Navy, Taylor returned to Michigan and served as an assistant prosecuting attorney in Ingham County. He later became a partner in a Lansing Litigation law firm where he remained for 20 years.

In 1992 Taylor was appointed by Governor Engler to the Michigan Court of Appeals, and in 1997 Engler appointed Taylor to the Michigan Supreme Court.



**Justice Clifford W. Taylor**  
Republican

Justice Taylor has served in his community as a leader in the Boy Scouts, a member of the Board of Dyslexia Institute and is currently active in the United Way.

Taylor resides in Lansing with his wife, Lucille. The Taylors have two sons: Michael and John.

Judge Susan Borman was elected to the Wayne County Circuit Court in 1979 and has worked for 19 years on both civil and criminal cases. She has also served on the Michigan Court of Appeals as a visiting judge.

Borman graduated from the University of Detroit Law School magna cum laude.

She is a life member of the NAACP, a member of the Greater

Detroit Roundtable's executive board, an elected board member of the Michigan Judges Association and an honorary board member of the Anti-Defamation League.

Borman has been appointed by the Michigan Supreme Court to its Standard Civil Jury Instructions Committee and was selected as chair of the Tort Reform Subcommittee.



**Judge Susan Borman**  
Democrat

Judge Borman said that she would draw on her experience in thousands of cases and make decisions that provide just and practical resolutions to real-world disputes.

Judge Carole F. Youngblood said that she is committed to fair-

ness and integrity and will interpret Michigan's laws to do justice for all of Michigan's citizens.



**Judge Carole F. Youngblood**  
Democrat

Youngblood is active with the American and Michigan Judges Associations, the Women Judges Association and the Representative Assembly of the State Bar of Michigan.

She is a past president of the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan.

Youngblood is also involved with the NAACP, the National Organization for Women and the Michigan Women's Campaign Fund.

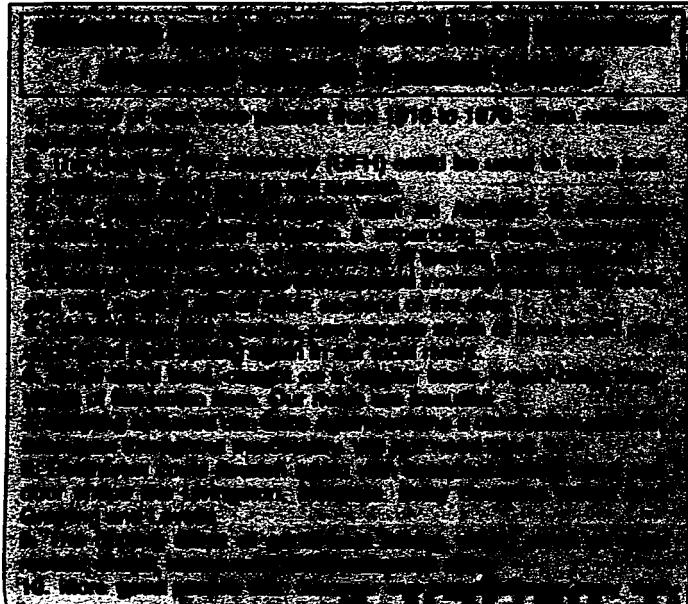
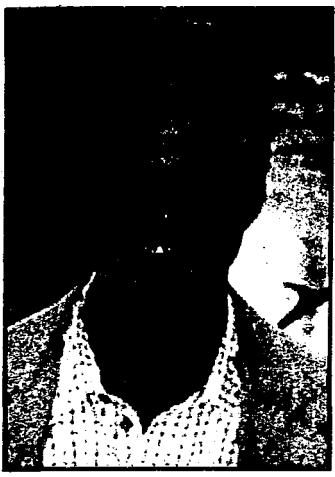
She has been described as "firm but fair" and as having a "commitment to protecting women and children."

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## JV Football slips by Tawas Braves

by Dave Golnick  
Student Writer

The Vikings slipped by Tawas last week by a score of 22-14. The team's overall record is now 5-2, and 3-2 in the North East Michigan Conference.

The game was a battle of field position, with the Vikings receiving the opening kick but having to punt it away.

Tawas could not capitalize on the early opportunity, and was forced to punt as well.

The Vikings then struck gold with a 55-yard screen pass for a TD from quarterback Levi Burkett to running back Dave Golnick. Burkett kicked the extra point to put the Vikings up 7-0.

The Braves, determined not to let the game get out of hand, marched the ball down the field and scored on a pitch play. They kicked the extra point, tying the score at 7-7.

After another battle of field position, Burkett found tight end Justin Neuberger in the end zone to give Grayling a 13-7 advantage. The extra point made the score 14-7.

The Braves refused to surrender, leading yet another charge back down the field and into the end zone, tying the score at 14.

With four minutes left in the game Burkett intercepted a Tawas pass and ran it back into the end zone, giving the Vikings the lead, 22-14.

The Braves readied themselves

for one more assault on the Vikings goal line. With the siege engines in motion, Tawas stormed down the field to the Grayling eight-yard line.

The Braves tried to run a sweep play, but defensive end Nick Bayham read the play and stopped them for a three yard loss.

A quarterback sneak attempt then failed after Golnick rushed in to sack the QB.

Linebackers Chris Peters and Victor CdeBaca then stepped up hard to stuff an off-tackle run on the three-yard line.

The final Tawas touchdown attempt came through the air, with a quick toss to the end zone that was deflected by Burkett and barely knocked out of the goal preventing a sure Braves score.

With the Braves assault countered, the Vikings only had to run out the clock to seal the victory, 22-14.

This week the Vikings will try to improve their record to 6-2 with a road game in Gladwin.

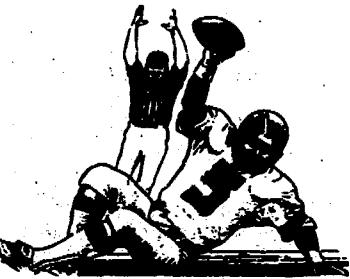


Photo by Chris Golnick

**PRESSURE THE QB** -- The Vikings defense applies pressure to the Tawas quarterback, who just gets the ball over the leaping Grayling defenders.

## Varsity Football loses road game to Tawas

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The GHS Varsity Football Team traveled to Tawas on Friday, October 16, and lost the game by two touchdowns, 35-21.

"We are disappointed," said Coach Rodney Patterson, "because this is one we could have won."

Quarterback Nate Beckwith passed for 206 yards and two touchdowns. Beckwith connected with Nate Hinkle and Brad Ritter for the two passing touchdowns.

Hinkle had 111 yards on three catches for the game. Jeremy Latuszek caught four passes for 65 yards, and Ritter had 22 yards on three receptions.

Shane Colby led the rushing with 49 yards on 12 carries. Eli Tobin ran for 46 yards on eight rushes.



On defense, Colby and Kyle Maples led the Vikings in tackling. Tobin and Pete Mead each had an interception.

Grayling will host Gladwin this week on Friday, October 23.

"If Gladwin beats us Friday, we are in the playoffs,"

Coach Patterson. "If we beat them it will probably knock them out. This Friday is our playoff game and we are going to treat it as one."

"We also need the next two games to avoid a losing season," added Patterson.

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# Freshmen Football blanks Tawas

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Freshmen Football Team hosted Tawas on Thursday, October 15. The team posted a 12-0 shutout against the visiting Braves.

Juell Joseph scored both Grayling touchdowns on runs of seven and ten yards.

"Our defensive and offensive line did a great job the whole game," said Coach Mike Neff.

"The score was 0-0 at the half. I told the players we were going to keep running the ball on them, but we had to do a better job of protecting it. We had two key fumbles the first half."

"The players really responded well," continued Coach Neff, "and our whole team had a good second half."

"I was really proud of our defense tonight," said Coach Joe Ferrigan. "Tawas was able to get the ball on our five-yard line with a first and goal, and our defense stopped them four straight plays."

"As Coach Neff mentioned, we really came together the second half to put some points on the board, and to shut them out," said Coach Ferrigan.

The team's next home match-up will be on Thursday, October 29, when Grayling will host Saginaw Valley Lutheran. Game time is 6:30 p.m.



**HAND-OFF** -- Quarterback Larry Baynham prepares to hand the ball off to running back Juell Joseph. Joseph rushed for both Grayling touchdowns Thursday night.



**DODGE A TACKLE** -- Ball carrier Tom King tries to evade a Tawas defender as Wes Fox prepares to block.

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# 'Freshmen 2' Redskins win, finish 6-1

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer  
The AuSable Football League's Grayling Redskins "Freshmen 2"

Team rounded out the season with a 25-12 win at home over the Johannesburg Oilers.

The Grayling team finished the

year with a 6-1 overall record.

"This was a whole team effort," said Coach Rick Schmidt. "All of the coaches are proud of the whole

team."

Ryan Schmidt ran for over 100 yards in the game against Johannesburg. He scored two touchdowns and had one interception on defense.

Gibson Tobin also scored two touchdowns. He led the team in tackles with 10. Zach Wagner and Matt Swope each had eight tackles.

Josh Hinkle, Brian Borchers, Brett Stoddard and Robert Starks each had one sack for the Redskins.

Coach Swope said that the defensive ends and corner backs did a good job of containing the Oilers.

Coach Mark McInally complimented the play of the offensive line.

"Without the great line play this team would not have the record it has," said McInally.

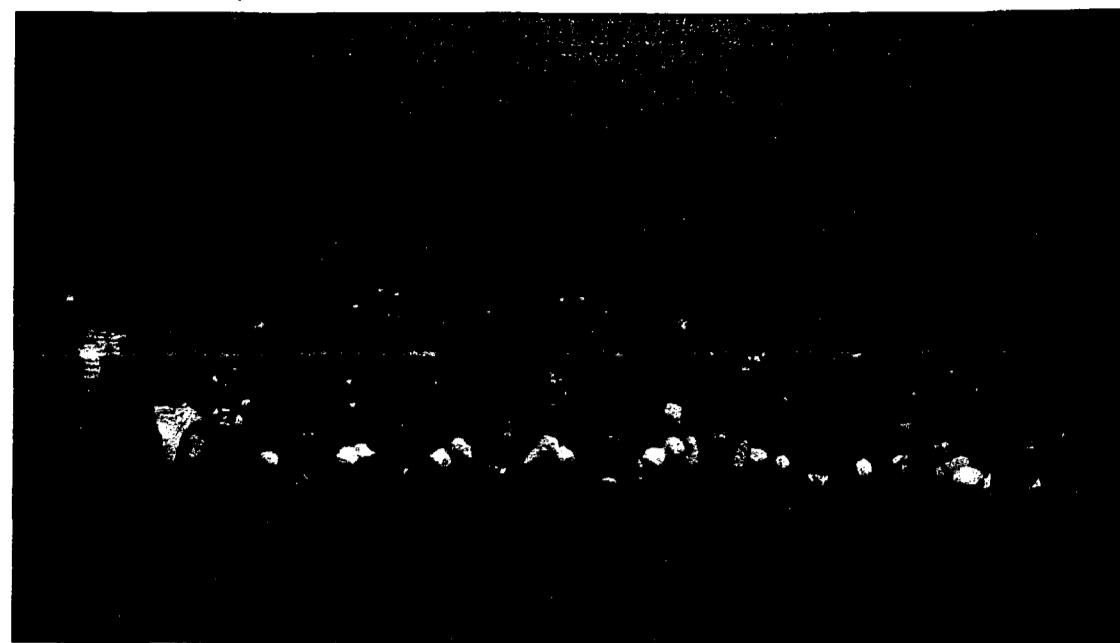


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**FRESHMEN II REDSKINS** -- (front row, left to right) Matt Larson, Zach Wagner, Josh Hinkle, Jess Bobenmoyer, Matt Swope, Robert Starks, Joe Ferrigan. (second row, left to right) Patrick McInally, Nate Helsel, Joe Roby, Trevor Clough, Jason Strohpaull, Ryan Schmidt, Jesse Cdebaca, Ryan Feldhauser, Matt MacQue. (third row, left to right) Brian Borchers, Reagan Schmidt, Kris Curtis, Mitchell Salyers, Trisha Petersen, Gibson Tobin, Jeremy Caverly, Brett Stoddard, Rob Howe, Kevin Elkins, Zach Dean. (back row, left to right) Coach Bill Dean, Coach Joe Ferrigan, Coach John Petersen, Coach Rick Schmidt, Coach Tom McPherson, Coach Mark McInally.



## Grayling Redskins 'Freshmen 1' team wraps up 1998 season

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The "Freshmen 1" Grayling Redskins wrapped up their 1998 football season with a loss to Tawas at Redskin Field. The final score was 25-6.

Chad Peterson scored Grayling's lone touchdown. He had 130 yards rushing on the day.

Peterson also led the team in

tackles with nine. Jon Nash and

Travis Brush both had five tackles. Jeff Phipps had four, and Ryan Davis, Calvin Trudgeon and Adam Peterson each chalked up three tackles.

"There were lots of assists by all the defensive players and lots of good hits," said Coach Mahaffey.

Adam Peterson recovered one

fumble for the Redskins, and Zac Baker had one interception.

"I'm proud of all our players,"

said Coach Trudgeon. "They worked hard and gave 100 percent all year. I feel they learned a lot this year."

"This is a real good bunch of kids," said Coach Mahaffey. "They worked hard and I'm proud of them."

"I'm sad to see the season end," added Coach Nash. "It was a fun season, and I'm looking forward to next year."

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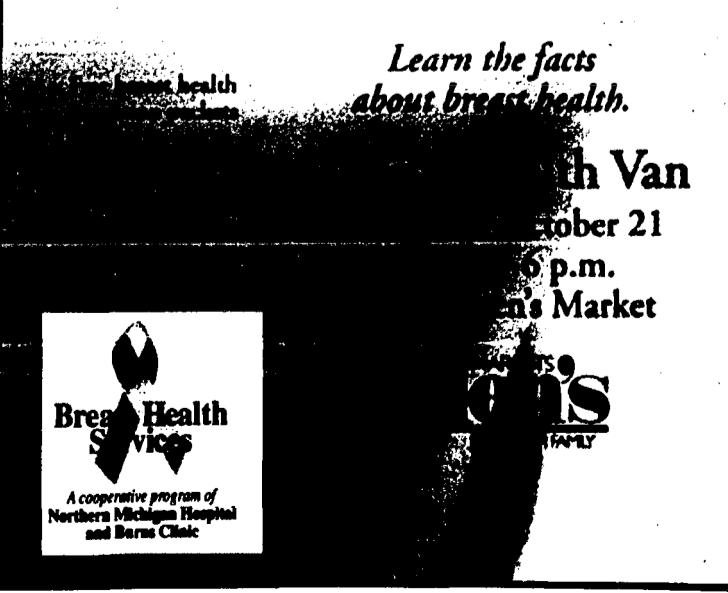
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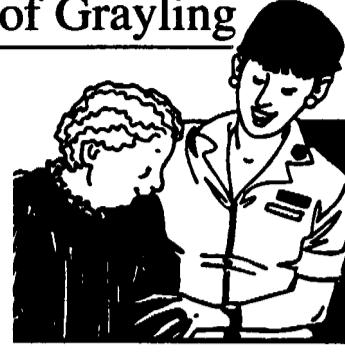
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THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Default having 'been' made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by JERALD A. HENRY, a single man, of 2915 E. M-72, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, to Empire National Bank of Traverse City, a national banking association of 1227 East Front Street, Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, dated June 26, 1997, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on July 1, 1997, at Liber 432, Pages 540-545, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this Notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$29,321.12; and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 17, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., on the steps of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said Mortgage, together with interest at 9.850% per annum, legal costs, attorney fees, and any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee, Empire National Bank of Traverse City, Traverse City, Michigan, does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

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Lot # 532 Warblers Hideaway #4 - Warblers Hideaway Association. Property tax code 010-14-803-00-532-00.

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Amount necessary to redeem \$81.68 plus fees of the Sheriff and cost of publication.

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Warblers Hideaway Association tax deed holder - Lawrence J. Lipinski, Treasurer, 2704 Lovells Rd., Grayling, MI 49738.

-8-15-22-29

## PUBLIC ACCURACY NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Public Accuracy Test for the November 3, 1998 General Election has been scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 1998, at 1:00 pm in the Crawford County Building, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program(s) and the election ballot counters being used to tabulate the results of the election, count the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Sandra Moore, Crawford County Clerk

## A PUBLIC NOTICE FROM FREDERIC TOWNSHIP

The Frederic Township Zoning Board, at their regular meeting of October 7, 1998, voted to pass "Unsafe Building Ordinance 98-15". This ordinance takes effect one day after publication.

Frederic Township  
Dept. of Building & Zoning  
P.O. Box 78

Michael Girard  
Zoning Administrator

## YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/ S. S. Administration

## Beat tax rush for S.S. numbers

Taxpayers are urged to act now to beat the rush for Social Security numbers needed for tax returns.

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will not process returns with missing or incorrect Social Security numbers. If the return does not include the correct Social Security number, IRS may contact the taxpayer for the correct information before issuing a refund.

Taxpayers are now required to have the names of all dependents correctly listed on their tax returns. To avoid delaying your refund, you should make sure your name and Social Security number, and the name and Social Security number of your spouse and any dependents listed on the

return, agree with the name and number shown on each individual's Social Security card.

To get an original or replacement Social Security card, call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213. The best times to call to avoid peak telephone traffic are later in the week and the second half of the month.

If you have already applied for a Social Security number for your newborn child at the hospital where you gave information for your child's birth certificate, you should receive your child's Social Security card in the mail within two weeks after Social Security receives the necessary information from your state's vital statistics office.

## LEGAL ACTION

### A PUBLIC NOTICE FROM FREDERIC TOWNSHIP

Frederic Township is accepting bids for snow plowing at the Frederic Community Library, Frederic Fire Hall and Frederic Township Hall. Bids need to be separated per building on your proposal. Bids need to be submitted by November 10, 1998. We reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Frederic Township Board

### SNOWPLOWING BIDS

The Department of Natural Resources, Forest Management Division, Grayling, is accepting bids for snowplowing for the snowmobile trail parking lots located at Wilcox Bridge Road and M-72 West. Bid forms are available at the Grayling Field Office at 1955 North I-75 Business Loop. The deadline for submitting bids is 4 p.m., Thursday, October 22, 1998. If you have any questions, please call Larry Allwardt at 517-348-6371.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m., on November 25, 1998.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

LOT 6, MAY USABLE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 19, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS. TAX #20-032-260-000-000-00.

\*and re-recorded October 11, 1994 in Liber 384, Page 481.

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The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated October 6, 1998

Benchmark Mortgage Corporation

Mortgagee

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222

Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334

-15-22-29-5-12

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Crawford County Housing Rehabilitation and Community Development Commission will hold two public hearings, both scheduled for November 4, 1998; one at 3:30 p.m. and one at 7:00 p.m. in the Housing Commission office located a 203 Huron Street, Grayling, MI. Purpose of the hearing is the county application for 1998 Michigan Community Development Block Grant Housing Program and Community Development involvement in MSHDA/CHIP program for the amount of \$150,000.00.

The proposed grant funds will be used to provide housing rehabilitation of owner-occupied single-family dwellings of low and moderate income persons. Homes will be repaired so that they conform to the minimum standards of BOCA Basic Property Maintenance Code of HUD Section 8 Housing Quality Standards and all local ordinances to improve the housing stock of Crawford County.



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### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

Notice is hereby given that on October 14, 1998, the Grayling Township Board adopted an amendment to Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance 92-2 to be known as Ordinance 98-6. The amendment follows and becomes effective November 20, 1998.

#### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE 98-6

The Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance 92-2 is hereby amended as follows:

Re-zone from (R-F) Recreational Forest to (1) Industrial the E/2 of the NW/4 and the NE/4 of the SW

## Maple Forest Township Land Division Ordinance #1998-10-13

**AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE PARTITIONING OR DIVISION OF PARCELS OR TRACTS OF LAND, ENACTED PURSUANT BUT NOT LIMITED TO MICHIGAN PUBLIC ACT 288 OF 1967, AS AMENDED, AND ACT 246 OF 1945, AS AMENDED, BEING THE TOWNSHIP GENERAL ORDINANCE STATUTE; TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE THEREFORE; TO REPEAL ANY ORDINANCE OR PROVISION THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITHE; AND TO PRESCRIBE PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT REMEDIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.**

Township of Maple Forest, County of Crawford, State of Michigan,  
ORDAINS

### SECTION I TITLE

This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Maple Forest Township Land Division Ordinance.

### SECTION II PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to carry out the provisions of the State Land Division Act (1967 PA 288, as amended, formerly known as the Subdivision Control Act), to prevent the creation of parcels of property which do not comply with applicable ordinances and said Act, to minimize potential boundary disputes, to maintain orderly development of the community, and otherwise provide for the health, safety and welfare of the residents and property owners of the municipality by establishing reasonable standards for prior review and approval of land divisions within the Township.

### SECTION III DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this ordinance certain terms and words used herein shall have the following meaning:

- A. "Applicant" - a natural person, firm, association, partnership, corporation, or combination of any of them that holds an ownership interest in land whether recorded or not.
- B. "Divide" or "Division" - the partitioning or splitting of a parcel or tract of land by the proprietor thereof or by his or her heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors or assigns, for the purpose of sale or lease of more than one year, or of building development that results in one or more parcels of less than 40 acres or the equivalent, and that satisfies the requirements of Section 108 and 109 of the State Land Division Act. "Divide" and "Division" does not include a property transfer between two or more adjacent parcels, if the property taken from one parcel is added to an adjacent parcel; and any resulting parcel shall not be considered a building site unless the parcel conforms to the requirements of the State Land Division Act, this ordinance, and other applicable ordinances.
- C. "Exempt Split" or "Exempt Division" - the partitioning or splitting of a parcel or tract of land by the proprietor thereof, or by his or her heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors or assigns, that does not result in one or more parcels of less than 40 acres or the equivalent.
- D. "Forty acres or the equivalent" - either 40 acres, a quarter-quarter section containing not less than 30 acres, or a government lot containing not less than 30 acres.
- E. "Governing Body" - the Maple Forest Township Board.

### SECTION IV PRIOR APPROVAL REQUIREMENT OF LAND DIVISIONS

Land in the Township shall not be divided without the prior review and approval of the Township Assessor, or other official designated by the governing body, in accordance with this ordinance and the State Land Division Act; provided that the following shall be exempted from this requirement:

- A. A parcel proposed for subdivision through a recorded plat pursuant to the State Land Division Act.
- B. A lot in a recorded plat proposed to be divided in accordance with the State Land Division Act.
- C. An exempt split as defined in this Ordinance, or other partitioning or splitting that results in parcels of 20 acres or more if each is not accessible and the parcel was in existence on March 31, 1997, or resulted from exempt splitting under the state act.

### SECTION V APPLICATION FOR LAND DIVISION APPROVAL

An applicant shall file all the following with the Township Assessor or other official designated by the governing body for review and approval of a proposed land division before making any division either by deed, land contract, lease for more than one year, or for building development:

- A. A completed application form on such form as may be approved by the Township Board.
- B. Proof of fee ownership of the land proposed to be divided.
- C. A survey including an accurate legal description of each proposed division, and showing the boundary lines, approximate dimensions, and the accessibility of each division from existing or proposed public roads for automobile traffic and public utilities.
- D. Proof that all standards of the State Land Division Act and this Ordinance have been met.
- E. If a transfer of division rights is proposed in the land transfer, detailed information about the terms and availability of the proposed division rights transfer.
- F. The fee as may from time to time be established by resolution of the governing body of the Township for land division reviews pursuant to this Ordinance to cover the costs of review of the application and administration of this Ordinance and the State Land Division Act.

### SECTION VI PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS FOR LAND DIVISION APPROVAL

- A. The assessor or other designee shall approve, or disapprove the land division applied for within forty five (45) days after receipt of the application package conforming to this Ordinance's requirements, and shall promptly notify the applicant of the decision and the reasons for any denial. If the application package does not conform to this Ordinance's requirements and the State Land Division Act, the assessor or other designee shall return the same to the applicant for completion and resubmission in accordance with this Ordinance and the State Land Division Act.
- B. Any person or entity aggrieved by the decision of the assessor or designee may, within thirty (30) days of said decision appeal the decision to the governing body of the Township or such other body or person designated by the governing body which shall consider and resolve such appeal by a majority vote of said Board or by the designee at its next regular meeting or session affording sufficient time for a twenty (20) day written notice to the applicant (and appellant where other than the applicant) of the time and date of said meeting and appellate hearing.
- C. The assessor or designee shall maintain an official record of all approved and accomplished land divisions or transfers.
- D. Approval of a division is not a determination that the resulting parcels comply with other ordinances or regulations.
- E. The Township and its officers and employees shall not be liable for approving a land division if building permits for construction on the parcels are subsequently denied because of inadequate water supply, sewage disposal facilities or otherwise, and any notice of approval shall include a statement to this effect.

### SECTION VII STANDARD FOR APPROVAL OF LAND DIVISIONS

A proposed land division reviewable by the Township shall be approved if the following criteria are met:

- A. All the parcels to be created by the proposed land division(s) fully comply with the applicable lot (parcel), yard and area requirements of pertinent Ordinances, including, but not limited to, minimum lot (parcel) frontage/width, minimum road frontage, minimum lot (parcel) area, and maximum lot (parcel) coverage and minimum set-backs for existing building/structures or have received a variance from such requirement(s) from the Maple Forest Township Board and the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals.
- B. The ratio of depth to width of any parcel created by the division does not exceed a four to one ratio exclusive of access roads, easements, or non-development sites. The depth of a parcel created by a land division shall be measured within the boundaries of each parcel created by a land division shall be measured within the boundaries of each parcel from the abutting road right-of-way to the most remote boundary line point of the parcel from the point of commencement of the measurement. The width of a parcel shall be measured at the abutting road or right-of-way line, or as otherwise provided in any applicable ordinances.
- C. The proposed land division(s) comply with all requirements of this Ordinance and the State Land Division Act.
- D. All parcels created and remaining have existing adequate accessibility, or an area available therefor, to a public road for public utilities and emergency and other vehicles not less than the requirements of all applicable ordinances.

### SECTION VIII CONSEQUENCES OF NONCOMPLIANCE WITH LAND DIVISION APPROVAL REQUIREMENT, PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT

Any division of land in violation of this Ordinance shall not be recognized as a land division on the Township tax roll or assessment roll until the assessing officer refers the suspected violation or potential non-conformity to the county prosecuting attorney and gives written notice to the person requesting the division, and the person suspected of the violation or potential non-conformity of such referral to the prosecuting attorney. The Township shall further have the authority to initiate injunctive or other relief to prevent any violation or continuance of any violation of this Ordinance. Any division of land in violation of this Ordinance shall further not be eligible for any zoning or building permit for any construction or improvement thereto.

In addition, any person, firm or corporation who violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be responsible for a municipal civil infraction as defined by Michigan Statute which shall be punishable by a civil fine of not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars along with costs which may include all expenses, direct and indirect, to which the Township has been put in connection with the municipal civil infraction. In no case, however, shall costs of less than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars nor more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars be ordered. A violator of this Ordinance shall also be subject to such additional sanctions and judicial orders as are authorized under Michigan Law.

Pursuant to Section 267 of the Land Division Act, an unlawful division or split shall also be voidable at the option of the purchaser and shall subject the seller to the forfeiture of all consideration received or pledged therefore together with any damages sustained by the purchaser, recoverable in an action at law.

### SECTION IX SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any clause, sentence, word, section or provision is declared void or unenforceable for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any portion of this ordinance other than said part of portion thereof.

### SECTION X REPEAL

All previous Land Division Ordinances affecting unplatting land divisions in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed; however this Ordinance shall not be construed to repeal any provision in the applicable Zoning Ordinance or Building Codes or other Ordinances of the Township which shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding any land division approval hereunder.

### SECTION XI EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective 30 days following its publication after adoption as required by law. The foregoing Ordinance was submitted upon motion of M. Armstrong, second by S. Bayham. Upon roll call the following voted:

AYE: Five  
No: -0-  
ABSENT: None

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, at a Regular Meeting held on the 13th day of October, 1998, the same was published in the Crawford County Avalanche on October 22, 1998, Effective date November 22, 1998.

Susan Keene  
Maple Forest Township Clerk

## LEGAL ACTION

### SYNOPSIS

#### CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Regular Board Meeting of September 22, 1998

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman John Hartman at 9:04 a.m. on September 22, 1998, in the Crawford County Building.

Roll Call: Hartman, Smock, Corlew, Bretzke - Present.

Absent: Block and Long.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk/ Register of Deeds - Present.

Louanne Leonard, Board Secretary - Present.

There were other visitors present at various times.

---Minutes of the August 25, 1998, Regular Board Meeting were approved with corrections.

---Approved the three percent increase in pay for one non-salaried personnel of the 46th Circuit Trial Court retroactive to January 1, 1997.

---Accept correspondence as submitted.

---Accept the agreement between the Michigan Department of Community Health and the County of Crawford for Local Law Enforcement Block Grant for continuation of the Juvenile Prevention Officer from October 1, 1998 to September 30, 1999.

---Moved to set the Budget Hearing for the next scheduled Board meeting of September 25, 1998 at 10:00 a.m.

---Approve to separate the County Controller position from the Commissioners budget and establish department line item.

---Accept to adopt the public notice request for proposal for one year to solicit bids from qualified vendors for the purchase of 87 octane low lead automotive fuel. Proposals to be submitted to the clerk by 4:00 p.m. September 30, 1998 and any questions directed to Commissioner Long.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes is on file in the Clerk's office.

Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

### SYNOPSIS BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP Regular Meeting October 12, 1998

The regular meeting of the Beaver Creek Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor. All Board members were present. There were 11 guests present.

Motion by McDonough to accept minutes to meeting of September 14, 1998 with two corrections. Motion carried.

Motion by Mobarak to accept Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded and carried.

Reports were given regarding Fire Department and DPW.

Nine pieces of correspondence were accepted.

Old Business:

McDonough questioned if letters were done regarding King Road from last meeting and also requested that Supervisor give reports on meetings he attends during month.

New Business:

1. Patty Coe of River House Shelter requested use of Community Center for Christmas Party December 19, 1998. Motion by Mobarak to let River House use requested date. Seconded and carried.

2. Motion by Mobarak to let board members attend MTA convention in January. Seconded and carried.

3. Toys for Tots box will be placed in Hall again this year for contributions.

4. Motion by Mobarak to pay AP bills. Seconded and carried.

5. Motion by Mobarak to transfer money to the Fire Department Fund. Seconded and carried.

Comments from the Audience:

Mobarak announced she would have books available through the "Community Reading Program" Saturday, October 24th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at her home on West 7 Mile Road. Look for her sign at the end of driveway.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Sharon Hartman, Clerk

## RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

### Meeting held on the 28th day of September 1998 Grayling, Michigan

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Stevens at 7:30 p.m.

II. Members Present: Stevens, Golnick, Ruddy, Palmer, Brown.

Members Absent: None.

Also in attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, Dennis Palmer, Roger Mosher, Larry Akers, one student, Caleb Casey, Dennis Long.

III. Moved by Brown, supported by Ruddy that the minutes of the meeting of September 14, 1998, be approved as presented. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Absent: 0; motion carried.

IV. Public Hearing. None.

V. Communications were received and noted.

a. Housing Commission Minutes of August 11, 1998.

b. September Emergency Services Council Minutes.

c. Comparative Balance Sheet for August, 1998.

d. Letter from HUD regarding Public Housing Commission Management Assessment Program, Fiscal Year 1998.

e. News release regarding vehicle accident on September 26, 1998.

VI. Old Business. None.

VII. a. S.T.I.N.G. Discussion. After discussion the City Council authorized the City Manager to have the city contribute to the S.T.I.N.G. funding for 1998-1999 in accord with past practice i.e. \$1.10 per capita.

VIII. Citizens who wish to speak. None.

IX. Reports of City Manager.

a. Reports for Council information mailed with packet.

b. Three persons attended MERS meeting last week, will not have actuarial data until late October.

X. Reports of Council Members.

a. Ms. Palmer inquired regarding bidding of sidewalk project for spring. Mr. Morford noted that Mr. Graf will be here in October and we will be ready to bid by February. Project will probably not include sidewalks near McDonalds.

b. Ms. Palmer asked to attend M.M.L. weekend class for new council members at Tree Tops, November 13th and 14th. Council has no objections to Ms. Palmer attending.

c. Mr. Stevens noted he had received an invitation to attend the new facility in Waters for Top of Michigan.

d. Mr. Stevens inquired regarding the scheduling of leaf pick-up for the 2nd and 4th Saturday. Not picked up on Saturday but they did pick up on Monday. Mr. Morford said he contacted City Environmental and they are working out the problems.

XI. Adjournment.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Ruddy, that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Absent: 0; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford  
City Manager & City Clerk

**Report News To:  
348-6811**

## ELECTION NOTICE

Notice of general election to the electors of Crawford County, Michigan to be held Tuesday, November 3, 1998.

To the qualified electors of Crawford County notice is hereby given that a general election will be held Tuesday, November 3, 1998 for the purpose of electing candidates and voting on three statewide proposals for the following offices:

Governor and Lieutenant Governor  
Secretary of State  
Attorney General

Representative in Congress  
State Senator

State Representative

Members of the State Board of Education

## FACTS AND

## FEATURES

## HOROSCOPES

## For The Week Of October 25-31

## ARIES

March 21-April 20

Focus on your relationships with others this week. Events may be moving beyond your control, but they could end up working to your advantage. If the way you do tasks isn't working, find a new way to get things done. A friend offers some helpful hints.

## TAURUS

April 21-May 21

It's a great week to start a new project or a new phase in your career. Your state of mind has never been better focused to get things done with good results. With all your activities, the right people are sure to notice your hard work and great ideas.

## GEMINI

May 22-June 21

Romance is in the air. This is the week to enjoy it and don't worry about the future. With that attitude, it's a sure thing you'll make others feel better, too. But don't let your friendships slide because of your romance. Instead, enjoy time with your friends.

## CANCER

June 22-July 22

Your homelife occupies your thoughts this week because your partner has been making references to moving. And even though you don't want to move, you may have to work out a compromise. Just be sure not to let the problems at home affect your work.

## LEO

July 23-August 23

Communication is the key to your week both at home and on the job. It's very important that you communicate what you need, and when you need it in the proper way and tone of voice. Whatever you do, do not disgrace someone in front of others.

## VIRGO

August 24-September 22

Do not be indecisive this week. You've done all the research on and saved the money for what you want, so go get it. You'll enjoy it all the more knowing how hard you worked to obtain it. Spend time with a friend you've been neglecting recently.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

## LIBRA

September 23-October 23

New adventures in partnerships are heading your way—both in business and on the personal front. It's a good time to learn to work within the parameters set for you, then learn ways to challenge those parameters. Your ideas will be accepted more readily if you do this.

## SCORPIO

October 24-November 22

Problems are piling up at work. Even though it seems like the only solution, don't surrender. Look to new ways to solve problems, and ask for problem-solving ideas from coworkers. Forget work this weekend and plan to spend some quality time with family.

## SAGITTARIUS

November 23-December 21

Your ideas and generosity will inspire those around you. Use it to your advantage to set new policies in motion. Or use it to others' advantage by motivating the group to contribute time, money or items to a worthy cause.

## CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

This could be the week to introduce the idea you've been working so hard on. Actions speak louder than words, so show your coworkers how much it could benefit them. Don't neglect your duties at home any longer. If you don't do it now, it will get even worse.

## AQUARIUS

January 21-February 18

Don't let your productivity slide, even though you are finding it hard to get motivated. Maybe it would be a good time for you to get away—even if it's only for a couple days. Make reservations, grab your partner or a friend and get out of town!

## PISCES

February 19-March 20

This is the week you'll find the solution to that something that has been bugging you for the past month or so. Now that you've found the answer, be very careful how you handle it. Be ready and willing to help a friend in need through a very difficult time.

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

TEXAS PEANUT POPCORN BALLS  
(MAKES 16 BALLS)

1 (3 1/2-oz.) bag microwave popcorn or 10 c. popped popcorn

1/2 c. dry-roasted peanuts or honey-roasted peanuts

1/4 c. peanut butter morsels

2 c. miniature marshmallows

3 TB butter or margarine

1/4 c. each black and orange gumdrops, coarsely chopped (optional)

Paper muffin pan liners

MICROWAVE: Prepare popcorn as directed on package. Discard any unpopped kernels. Place in a large mixing bowl with peanuts and peanut butter morsels.

In a 4-cup microwave-safe measuring cup, combine marshmallows and butter or margarine.

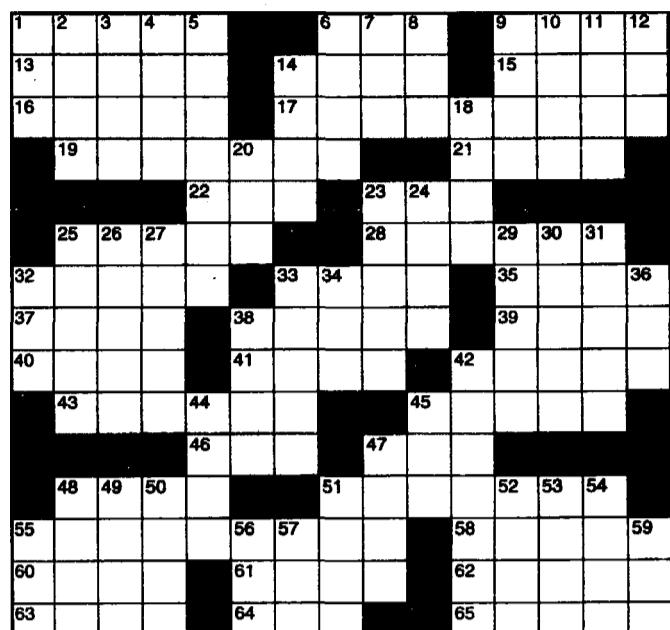
Microwave on HIGH for 1 1/2 to 2 minutes or until melted and smooth; stir once halfway through cooking. Pour marshmallow mixture over popcorn, tossing until evenly coated.

With buttered hands, form into 2 1/2-inch balls. If desired, add gumdrops to surface of balls to provide color. Place balls in individual paper muffin pan liners. Refrigerate until firm.

STOVETOP: Follow above instructions except: Use conventionally popped popcorn. To prepare marshmallow mixture, melt butter or margarine in a saucepan over medium-high heat. Add marshmallows; stir until mixture is melted and smooth.



## CROSSWORD



## ACROSS

1. Spurs  
5. Toddler's whiny cry  
9. Part of a Windsor chair  
13. Muscle  
14. Precinct  
15. Draft status  
16. Poplar: Sp.  
17. Talks into  
18. Kowtowed  
21. Steer stimulator  
22. Golf benchmark  
23. Court in love  
25. Bumpkin  
26. Petunia, e.g.  
32. Bounded  
33. Spy Mata  
35. Swarm  
37. Thinker's reward  
38. Contaminate  
39. Ivan the Terrible, e.g.  
40. Jaunty  
41. "Well That Ends Well"  
42. Laborers  
43. Famous dog  
45. Bends  
46. Subways arisen  
47. -tac-toe  
48. Welles role  
51. Salon des Refusés  
55. Assorted appetizers  
58. Meter watchers

60. Great Britain's national emblem  
61. Availed oneself of  
62. Vernon's partner  
63. Lab burner  
64. Actor Murray  
65. Indian societal group

66. Inclines  
67. Start for service or stick  
68. Drags  
69. Be indisposed  
70. "Sofie"  
71. Caudal appendage  
72. Largest ocean  
73. Become diffused  
74. Drollery  
75. Stepped  
76. Make a sweater  
77. Egyptian sun god  
78. Actress Foch  
79. Sun disk  
80. Poet Teasdale  
81. Three: Sp.  
82. Transmitted  
83. Malt drink  
84. Northern bird  
85. Vane letters  
86. Notice

## ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST  
FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

## 23 YEARS AGO

October 16, 1975

Mrs. Mildred Johnson, Mrs. Marvel Armstrong and Mrs. Ruth Caid attended a Sunday School workshop at Traverse City on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Commons are enjoying a trip in and around Kansas.

Barry Hatfield is home on leave from the Air Force from Texas. He will report to Wurtsmith AFB in Oscoda following his leave.

Mr. and Mrs. George Granger spent the weekend in Bridgeport visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Reg Ashton. On Saturday evening they attended the First Nighters concert at the Saginaw Civic Center starring Anna Marie Alberghetti and Fred Travelina.

Mrs. Warren Hayes attended the MCSEA conference on Mackinaw Island on October 2 and 3.

The Class of '35 gathered at the Holiday Inn on Saturday, October 4, 1975 for lunch and refreshments.

David L. Schwalm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Asst. Stewart, formerly of Grayling, was one of 28 students who recently graduated from the physician assistant program of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine and North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

The 1975 Little League Champs were the team sponsored by Bear Archery: Don Vaughn, Rick Schreiber, John Juntilla, Kevin LaMotte, Steve Mills, Brad Trenary, Tom Schlehuber, Tim Jensen, Monte D'Amour, Ryan Morford, Robbie Ciszewski, Bryan Stephan, Dave Klann.

A daughter, Tammy Lynn, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Romain of Grayling on October 8, weighing 8 lb. 9 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wells of Grayling are parents of a son,

Joshua Wayne, born October 11, weighing 8 lb. 2.5 oz.

Pastor and Mrs. Robert Taylor, Mrs. Jess Pratt and Mrs. Kenneth Allen attended the all day Christian education classes at Traverse City on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fleming of Grayling are happy over the arrival of a son, Michael Edward Jr. on October 13, weighing 7 lb.

46 YEARS AGO  
October 2, 1952

Miss Fern Armstrong left on Wednesday for a few days visit in Detroit.

Miss Norma Burdette entertained her mother of Manistique over the weekend.

Herbert Gothro and Roy McEvers left Sunday morning for Escanaba to attend the annual convention of the Odd Fellow Lodge. They expect to return tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. George Barber and little son, Harold, accompanied by the former's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hall and children motored to Greenville, Grand Rapids, St. Louis and Alma and visited relatives.

Sam Gust had the misfortune of spraining his left ankle Sunday while playing.

Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport left Saturday night for Detroit.

Miss Irene McKay had as her guest her sister, Miss Christine McKay of Detroit over the weekend.

Jack and Bill Callahan drove to Mackinaw City this morning where they're spending the day.

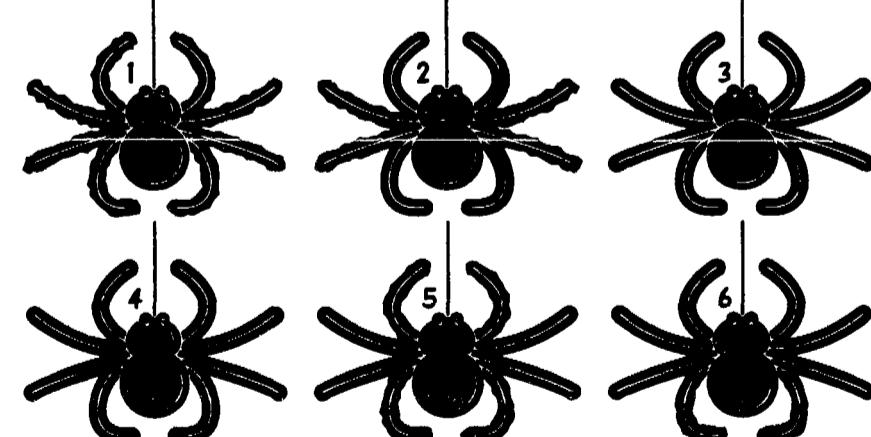
92 YEARS AGO  
October 4, 1906

H. Moon of Beaver Creek has erected a 30 x 40 foot barn to cover his crops.

Mrs. Charles Harrington of AuGres has been the guest of Mrs. John Everett for the past week.

F. O. Reck and daughter, Gladys, have been visiting in Isabella County for the past week.

ANSWER THREE AND FOUR

FIND THE TWINS  
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?WEATHER  
Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	10/14	10/15	10/16	10/17	10/18	10/19	10/20
High	48	44	56	70	71	61	60
Low	39	38	37	46	58	46	40
Rain	0.11				0.16	0.02	

Date	10/23	10/24	10/25	10/26	10/27
Sunrise	8:04	8:06	7:07	7:08	7:10
Sunset	6:41	6:40	5:38	5:37	5:35

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Wednesday evening, mostly cloudy, chance rain and snow, low of 20-30. Thursday, cold with rain and snow, high of 40. Friday, dry, low of mid 20-30, high of 40-50. Saturday, dry, low of 30, high of low to mid 50s.

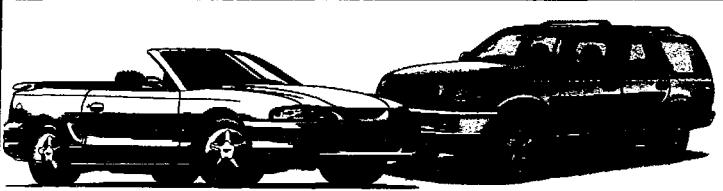
## Nails by Donna!

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ON BEHALF OF SCOTT HANSON**

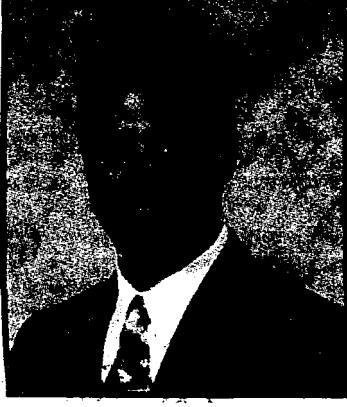
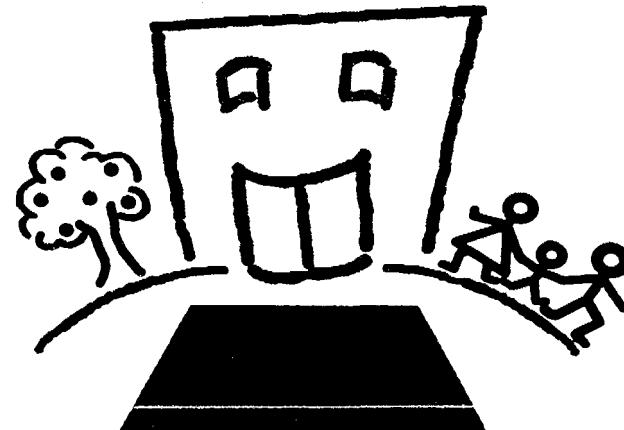
On November 3rd, you will have the opportunity to make a real difference with your vote. Given the situation in which Crawford County finds itself, the words its "TIME FOR A CHANGE" take on added significance and that is why we are supporting SCOTT HANSON.

SCOTT has an honorable record of service to his country and his youth and enthusiasm together with his fresh input will be a welcome change from "the politics as usual" attitude which has led to the county's current fiscal dilemma.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our recommendation and more importantly, please remember to vote.

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## GRA offers boys basketball camp

A basketball camp for boys in grades three through six will be offered by the Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) starting on Saturday, November 14.

Fifth and sixth graders will go from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., and third and fourth grade participants will run from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

The camp will take place at Grayling Middle School.

"This camp will stress offensive skill development, team play, contests and fun," said Coach Rich Moffit, sports camp director. "The camp features plenty of fun competition (5 vs. 5 league games, free throw contest, long shot contest and a hot shot contest). Each camper will play at halftime of a Varsity contest. An All-Star Team (not affil-

iated with GRA) will be selected to play in additional contests."

The camp will run for six weeks. The first day of camp is November 14. The other five days are: November 21, December 5, December 12, December 19 and January 9.

To register fill out the adjoining form and return it to GRA with the proper payment.

The camp costs \$20 if you register before Saturday, November 7, and \$25 if you register after November 7.

Cost includes the six weeks of basketball, a T-shirt and a certificate.

Money is available for those athletes who cannot pay for this program, if they are eligible.

### 1998 Boys Basketball Sports Camp

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Work #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned agrees to hold harmless, indemnify, and pay any attorney fees of the GRA & the state of Michigan, its servants, agents, & GRA employees from any claims that I may have of whatever kind & nature arising out of activities at or use of the premises controlled by GRA. In the event of an emergency, I give my permission for my son to be placed under the care of a qualified doctor or nurse.

Signature of Parent

Date

Return to the GRA Office (Hanson Hills) or mail this form to: GRA, P.O. Box 361, Grayling, MI, 49738.

## GMS 8th Grade Girls Basketball now 6-0

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The Grayling Middle School 8th Grade Girls Basketball "Green" Team has improved its overall record to 6-0 following wins against Roscommon and Kalkaska.

On Monday, October 5, the team traveled to Roscommon to take on the Bucks. GMS won by a score of 29-22.

Grayling's next game was at home against Kalkaska on Monday, October 12.

Grayling won by 22 points. The final score was 36-14.

"These girls are really coming together as a team," said Coach

Harold Mertes. "If you like to see team ball, come and watch them play."

The team will take part in the Houghton Lake Tournament on Tuesday, October 27.



## BOWLING LEAGUE

**Senior Citizens League**

Buccilli's Pizza	16 - 8
Cornell Realty	14 - 10
Stevens Family Circle	13 - 11
Totten's Body Shop	12 - 12
Sylvester's Sports	11.5 - 12.5
Flowers By Josie	11 - 13
Tees "N" Such "R" Us	11 - 13
Baynham Forest Products	7.5-16.5
Women's Hi Three	P. Harris, 513; L. Dandy, 438; D. Burwick, 432.
Women's Hi Single	P. Harris, 185; B. Harmer, 169; D. Burwick, 167.
Men's Hi Three	G. Wolfe, 604; K. Harris, 498; J. Rasmussen, 476.
Men's Hi Single	G. Wolfe, 212; C. Brantley, 182; K. Harris, 175.

**Friday Mixed Doubles**

Charlie's Country Corner	19 - 5
Hilltop Manor HCC	15 - 9

**Aunt Betty's**

R. Calkins & Sons	12 - 12
Moshier Auto Repair	11 - 13
Fick & Sons	11 - 13
Just Us	9 - 15
Sawmill	7 - 17

**High Game Men**

D. Canfield	232
M. Sumner	211; D. Lozon, 203.

**High Game Women**

D. Canfield	621; M. Sumner, 582; D. Lozon, 562.
L. Holtcamp	220; K. Moshier, 210; K. Trudeau, 184.

**High Series Women**

L. Holtcamp	558; K. Moshier, 532; K. Lozon, 475.
K. Lozon	475.

**Pioneer League**

Chemical Bank	14 - 6
Millikin's	13 - 7
Aunt Betty's	13 - 7
Avalanche	12 - 8
Lady Slippers	10 - 10

**Recreation League**

Fun - N - Sun Rental	18 - 6
Gray Rock Cafe	13 - 11
Scheer Motors	12 - 12
Mickey Perez CPA	12 - 12
Glen's Market	12 - 12

**High Game**

J. Hinds	211; T. Parker, 205; K. Moshier, 193.
K. Moshier	193.

**High Series**

J. Hinds	591; K. Moshier, 523; S. Sumner, 501.
S. Sumner	501.

**Recreation**

Fun - N - Sun Rental	18 - 6
Gray Rock Cafe	13 - 11
Scheer Motors	12 - 12
Mickey Perez CPA	12 - 12
Glen's Market	12 - 12

**High Game**

P. Terry	181; S. Sumner 179; S. Grant 174.
S. Sumner	207.

**High Series**

T. Everly	279; M. Campbell, 231; M. Sumner, 207.
M. Campbell	231; M. Sumner, 207.

**Sunday Night Mixed**

Us & Them	15 - 9
McDonald's	15 - 9

## Open library time at Frederic Elementary



**READING IS FUN -** Every morning at Frederic Elementary School, between 8:15 and 8:40 a.m., is open library time. Students read, put puzzles together, play games and some do work. Pictured above (from left to right) are fifth grade students Felicia Hohl, April Wheeler and Christen McBride enjoying new books that were purchased this year during the open library time.

## Untapped college scholarship money available

As the new academic year commences, thousands of high school seniors are now focusing their attention on the ritual of applying to their favorite college. Yet students who only concern themselves with being accepted to the college of their choice and delay applying for scholarship money are missing out on receiving assistance that could be available to them.

Donald Stewart, president of the American College Board, has stated that "students and their parents know surprisingly little about the financial aid available for higher education." As a result each year

95% of the students compete for only 5% of the money available to them.

According to the U.S. Department of Education, many students are missing out on financial aid opportunities available to them simply because they are not aware of the scholarship process and do not know how to locate scholarships that can help them.

Financial experts agree that students who take the initiative to find out what sources are available to them can be successful in funding either part or all of their educational costs. Currently there are over

375,000 non-government scholarship and grant sources available which do not have to be paid back.

More than 80% of these scholarships do not depend on family need or exceptional grades but are awarded based on factors such as the student's interests, hobbies, academic focus, age, heritage or parent's work or military service. The difficulty for each student is identifying the scholarships that apply to their personal situation.

Now, through the resources of the National Academic Funding Advisory (NAFA), an updated pub-

lication for 1998-99 is available which clarifies academic funding guidelines, steps students through the maze of the financial aid process and shows them how to identify and tap into the scholarship money that is available to them.

For information on how to receive academic funding and scholarships for college, graduate school or trade school, send \$3 to cover shipping and handling to the National Academic Funding Advisory (NAFA), 188 Summer Street, Scholarship Department N7, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

nic.

The usual site, however, for the book giveaway is in Mobarak's garage, located at 4314 Seven Mile Road, just east of I-75.

Due to the work schedule of the volunteers, books are only distributed on certain dates.

The next distribution date will be Saturday, October 24, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Watch for the "Free Books Today" signs.

## Reading program to distribute free books

The Beaver Creek Community Reading Program's main goal is to provide quality reading material to the general public, regardless of financial status.

The program is organized by a small group of volunteers led by founder and Beaver Creek Township Trustee Kathy Mobarak, who initiated the program about six years ago.

The volunteers researched for a wide variety of materials, including

self-help books, home repair, cookbooks, travel and entertainment, family medical books, dictionaries, and sporting information. All have been popular in the past. A favorite among the guys has been Dick Talleur's *The Versatile Fly Tyer*.

Included in past distributions have been a nice selection of wrapping paper, VHS movies, CDs and cassette tapes - nearly \$380,000 worth to date.

The program is supported solely

through the generosity of Glen's Save-Share, and the group asks the community to continue to funnel their save-share 2000 points to the reading program.

The reading program accepts donations of used reading materials as long as they are clean and free of charge.

Some may already be familiar to the reading program. Many cases of books have been distributed at the annual Beaver Creek Township pic-

nic.

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## Morning, noon or night, exercise is an energizer

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But what is the best time of day for exercise? There are no right or wrong answers. Consider these aspects of working out at different times of day, and choose the one that best fits your

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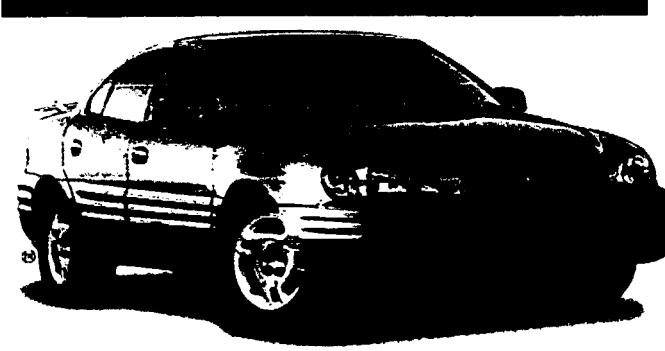
EVENING EXERCISE...lets you unwind after a hectic day...is handy when your gym or health club is on the

route home from work or school...often is the best time to get the whole family together for activity.

Each week in their chapter meetings, TOPS members encourage each other to follow their individual fitness programs, as well as to eat sensibly. In Grayling, TOPS meets every Thursday at 5 p.m. in the Mercy Hospital Riverside Room.

Also visit our website at [www.tops.org](http://www.tops.org).

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**Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour Sunday, October 25th**

## Younger drivers crash more than other motorists

Younger drivers are nearly three times as likely to be involved in a traffic accident compared to motorists age 55-64, according to statistics recently released by the Michigan State Police and compiled by the Insurance Information Association of Michigan (IIAM).

The information also indicates that young driver crashes tend to be more deadly.

"About 16 percent of drivers aged 16-24 are involved in a traffic accident each year," according to Leanne Snay, Executive Director of IIAM. "By comparison, only 6 percent of 55- to 64-year-olds are involved in a roadway crash annually."

Snay also noted that 16- to 24-year-old drivers have a greater involvement in fatal accidents than other age groups.

"Younger motorists continue to have more accidents and more costly accidents," Snay said. "That's the reason they pay more for car insurance. The higher price is a reflection of higher insurance pay out."

A younger person who is the principal driver of motor vehicle typically pays 40 to 200 percent more for coverage than older drivers, according to the IIAM official. This surcharge is reduced as the driver grows older.

Premium surcharges are generally much lower for young drivers who use the family car only on an occasional basis. These typically range from 20 percent for 24-year-olds to 80 percent for 16-year-olds, but vary from one insurance company to another.

The insurance spokesperson offered the following suggestions for controlling the cost of auto insurance:

- Drive carefully. Most traffic tickets and at-fault accidents will automatically increase your rates;
- Car pool when possible. Rates are partially determined by the

amount and type of driving you do;

- Select your car carefully. Cost, repairability and performance characteristics are determining factors in the premium you pay;

- Coordinate Personal Injury Protection (PIP) coverage if you have other accident and health insurance which covers injuries sustained in an automobile accident;

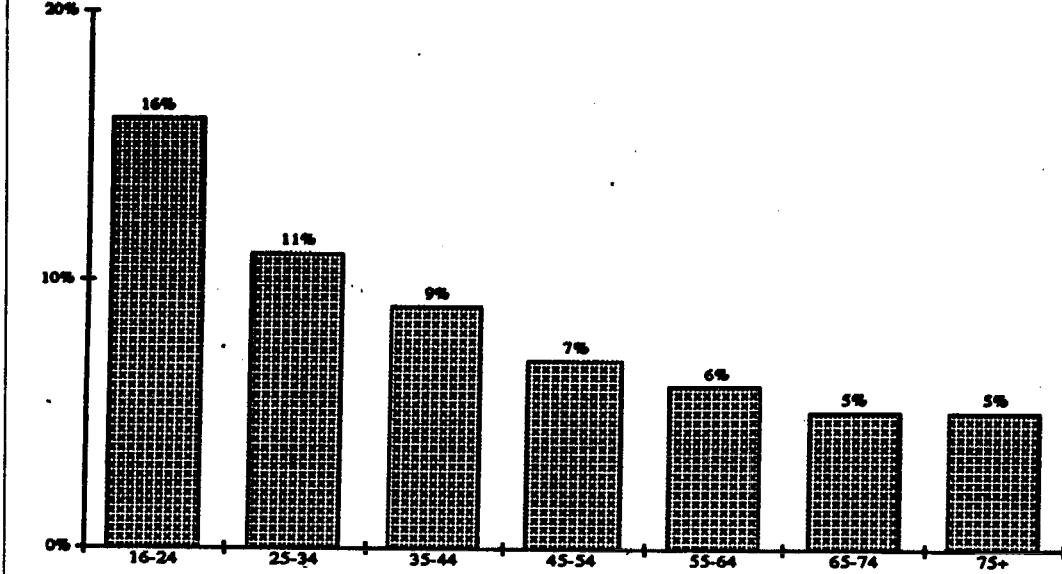
- Choose higher deductibles on Collision and Comprehensive coverages. Consider a more economical type of Collision insurance, but make sure you understand when you are covered and when you are not;
- If you have an older car, consider dropping both Collision and Comprehensive coverage;
- Ask about special discounts.

Most companies offer rate discounts to policyholders who, for example, insure two or more vehicles with the same company.

IIAM is a non-profit public information organization which sponsors a number of consumer information and education programs, including driver safety presentations in Michigan high schools.

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**1997**



**Car-deer crash more likely on two-lane roads with a 55 mph speed limit**

Autumn is the season for football, cider -- and deer crashes.

Motorists should take extra precautions this fall, especially while driving at night on two-lane roadways. According to the Michigan Deer Crash Coalition, 80 percent of the state's deer crashes occur on two-lane roads with a speed limit of 55 miles per hour.

Drivers need to be aware of deer at all times; however, studies indicate that car-deer crashes are most likely to occur during the months of October, November and December, with the highest incidences on Friday and Saturday nights," said Jerry Basch of AAA Michigan and chair of the coalition. "And the majority of these crashes take place on rural roads."

To heighten motorists' awareness of deer "hot spots" for the first time, county sheriffs throughout the state will issue Car-Deer Crash Advisories beginning this fall.

The advisories, similar to those distributed for weather and other hazardous conditions, will note roads which have the highest number of car-deer crashes. If an advisory is in effect for a certain road, motorists are asked to try to avoid the area or use extra caution.

Although deer crashes declined in 1997 -- for the first time since 1990 -- they account for 15 percent of the total number of traffic crashes in the state and remain a serious problem. In 1997, there were 65,451 vehicle crashes involving deer, 394 of which occurred in Crawford County, down from 410 crashes in 1996.

Deer crashes are also costly. Last year, more than \$100 million was paid out in collision repair claims as a result of deer crashes. The average insurance claim is about \$1,700.

According to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Michigan has white-tailed deer in every county in the state. Deer numbers have been reduced in most counties, but are still at levels that warrant

special awareness during October, November and December.

Motorists can follow these suggestions to reduce their chances of car-deer crashes:

- Look for deer, especially in the evening -- and slow down if you see them;
- Watch for deer-crossing signs, a reminder to drive cautiously;
- Drive at lower speeds through a posted deer area any time of the day or night;
- Use good sense -- wear safety belts; stay awake, alert and sober;
- If you can't stop, don't swerve out of your lane. It's generally safer to hit the deer than run off the road or risk injuring another motorist; and
- If you hit a deer, report the crash to local law enforcement.

The Michigan Deer Crash Coalition consists of several insurance companies and law enforcement agencies in Michigan.



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**BIKE-A-THON SUCCESS** - A Bike-A-Thon to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was held on October 3, with 53 third through fifth grade riders participating and raising \$4,700 by way of pledges. All riders received prizes from St. Jude. Top fundraising prize winner was Kyle English (center) with his new Mountain Trek bike; in second was Reid Holzbauer (right), awarded with a radio/light access for his bike; and third was Matt Montgomery (left) who received a new bike helmet for his efforts. All three boys are in the third grade.

Photo by Linda Golnick

## Infants and air bags: A deadly combination

Ninety-nine percent of parents with children under age one say they have heard about the risks air bags pose to children, according to a new national survey.

Although most have heard and are heeding the warnings, alarmingly, 11 percent of parents who regularly transport an infant in a vehicle equipped with a passenger air bag continue to place babies in the front seat -- amounting to as many as 175,000 babies at serious risk.

The research reveals that these parents tend to be younger, have little formal education, and live in the South. And parents who don't wear their seat belts are more likely to place infants in the front.

"Infants should NEVER, ever ride in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger air bag," said Janet Dewey, Executive Director of the Air Bag & Seat Belt Safety Campaign.

"An air bag comes out of the dashboard in the blink of an eye with great force. Riding up front in an infant seat, a baby's fragile head and neck are always too close to the deploying air bag in the event of a crash."

While the overall rate of child deaths from air bags has declined by

50 percent and there are encouraging signs that more drivers are properly restraining children in the back seat, too many children are continuing to die.

Infants under one year of age account for roughly 1 in 12 of the children at risk; yet they account for about 1 in 5 of the child deaths. To date, of the 63 children who died in crashes involving air bags, 13 were babies riding in infant seats. Investigations also indicate that almost all of these infants were five months old or younger.

"We think some parents believe the risk of not seeing a baby is greater than the risk of injury in a crash. That's just wrong," said Joseph R. Zanga, M.D., FAAP, American Academy of Pediatrics President.

"Parents must understand that automobile crashes are the leading cause of injury to our children. The safest way for pre-adolescent children to ride -- including babies -- is properly restrained in the back seat."

The research also shows that parents are more likely to follow proper safety procedures as their children age: Fully one quarter of parents incorrectly place infants ages

one to three months old in the front seat, while only eight percent put 10- to 12-month-old infants in the front seat.

The risks air bags pose to children are entirely eliminated when children ride properly restrained in the back seat. Crashes are the leading cause of death to children. With or without an air bag, children are safer in the back.

Studies show that, even in vehicles without air bags, the death rate to children drops by one third when kids ride properly restrained in the back seat.

The research also shows that 20 percent of parents with and without air bag equipped vehicles report not properly restraining their infants. Since crashes are the leading cause of death to children and with or without an air bag the back is the safest place for children to ride -- nearly 800,000 children are at increased risk in a crash.

The Campaign, NHTSA and others are stepping up their outreach to new and expectant parents by providing free materials through national organizations that can best reach their target audiences.

For more information on air bag safety, visit the Campaign's website

([www.nsc.org/airbag.htm](http://www.nsc.org/airbag.htm)) or call (202) 625-2570.

### AIR BAG SAFETY TIPS

- Infants should NEVER, ever ride in front seat with a passenger air bag.
- Babies should ride in rear-facing infant seats in the back seat until at least age one AND at least 22 pounds.
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- Children 12 and younger should ride in correct age- and size-appropriate safety seats or seat belts in the back seat.
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Categories include Recycling, Forestry, Recreation, Floral and Wildlife.

Three age divisions and photo size requirements have been created. They are: Age 13 and under (any size snapshot); Age 14 - 18 (5"x7" photo); and Adult (8"x10" photo).

Photos may be color or black and white.

Only one photo may be entered per category, but entries may be submitted in more than one category. However, there is a limit of one prize per person.

Photos must be taken in Crawford or Roscommon County and no markings are permitted on either front or back of an entered photo.

All entries become the property of the Conservation District and will be displayed in the office at County Fairs and/or printed in newsletters and annual reports.

Entry deadline is December 1, 1998.

Photos will be on display and judged during the 1999 Annual Meeting in February.

Awards, the choice of the winner, are conservation items available from the District. Up to 18 awards will be presented.

Prizes are the winner's choice of

items available for sale in the District Office. 1st Place - a \$30 value, 2nd Place - a \$20 value, 3rd Place - a \$10 value, and Honorable Mentions - a \$5 value.

Entry forms are available for pick-up at the CRCD Office located at 606 Lake Street in Roscommon, or by calling (517) 275-5231.



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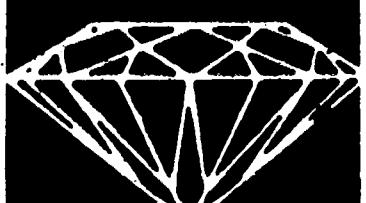
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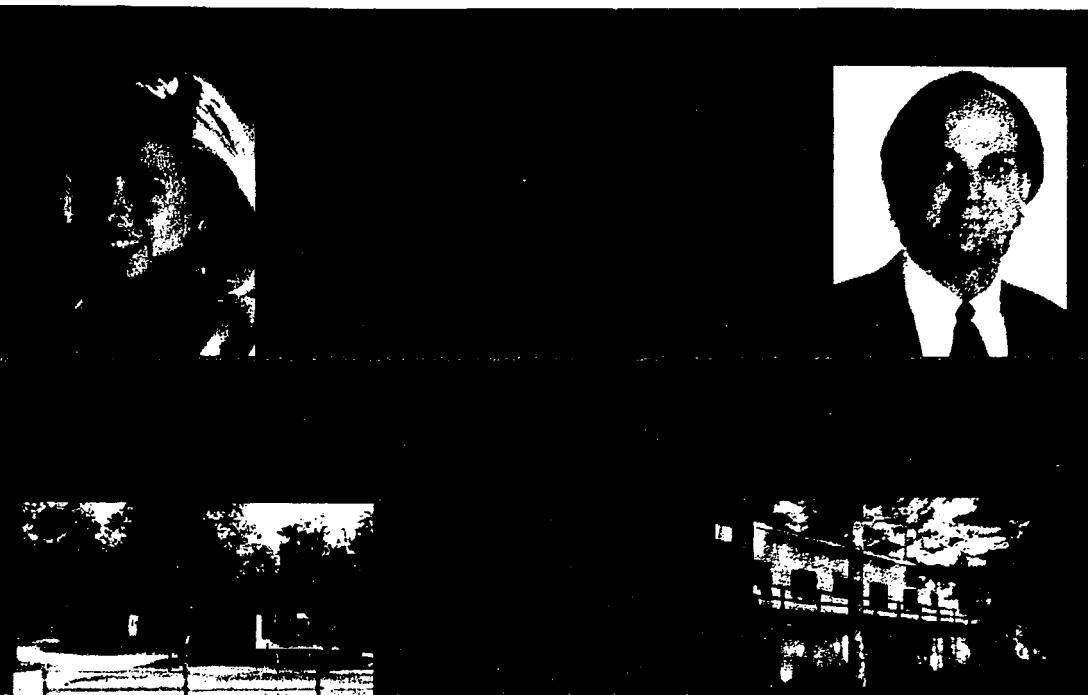
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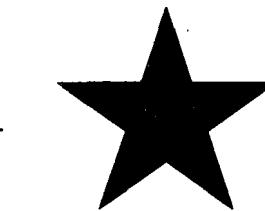
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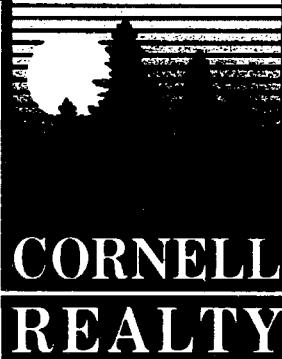
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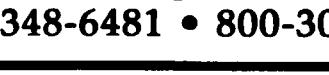
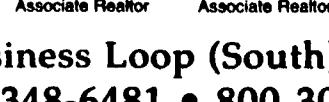
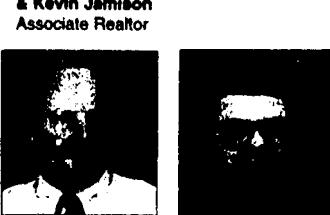
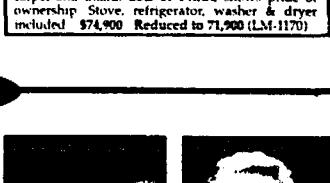
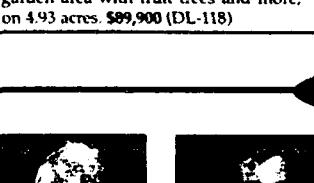
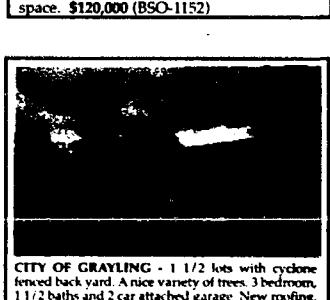
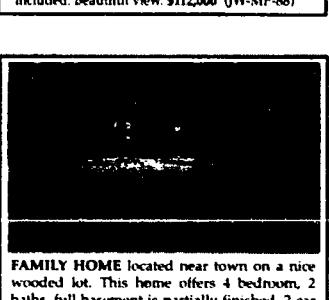
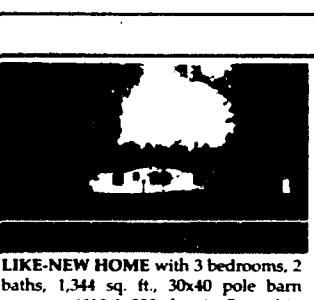
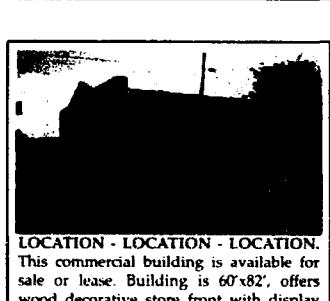
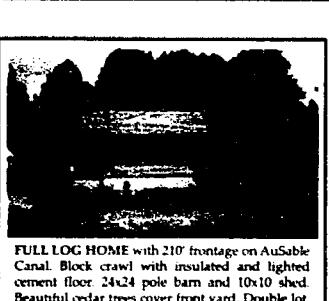
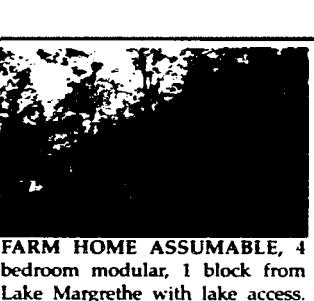
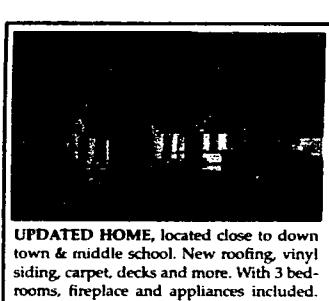
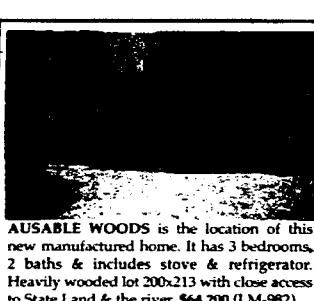
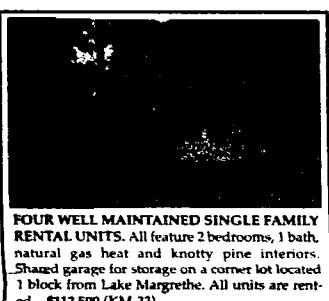
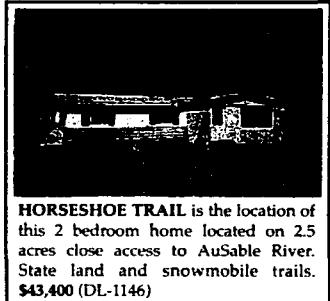
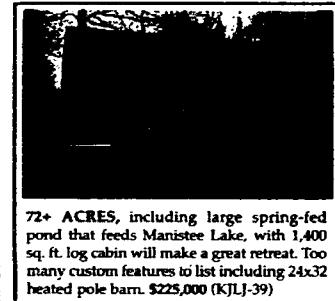
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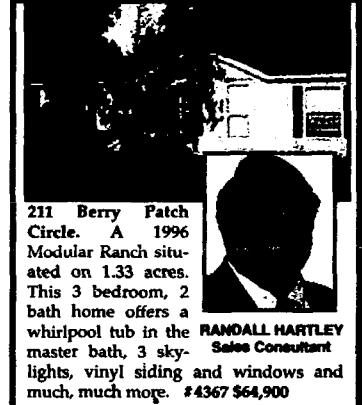
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WEEK  
# 8

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Winner	Advertiser
Game 1	
Game 2	
Game 3	
Game 4	
Game 5	
Game 6	
Game 7	
Tiebreaker 1 game #1	

Winner	Advertiser
Game 8	
Game 9	
Game 10	
Game 11	
Game 12	
Game 13	
Game 14	
Tiebreaker 2 game #9	

Winner	Advertiser
Game 15	
Game 16	
Game 17	
Game 18	
Game 19	
Game 20	
Tiebreaker 3 game #18	

(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your prediction for the games played, advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the tie breakers can not determine a winner, a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 pm Friday before each week's games. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 pm Friday. Mail to Crawford County Avalanche, P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office. Winner may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.

## WEEKLY PRIZES

- Sports Cap--Scheer Motors
- Mystery Gift--Sylvester's
- \$10 Gift Cert.--Grayling Glen's
- \$10 Gift Cert.--Abel Auto Parts
- Lunch for 2 at Charlie's Country Corner  
--Fick & Sons
- Mystery Gift--McLean's Ace Hardware
  - One free lunch, a \$6.95 value  
--Grayling Holiday Inn
  - Free lube, oil and filter
- Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury, Inc
  - \$50--Crawford County Avalanche
  - \$10 Gift Cert.--Riverland Gear
- \$5 Gift Cert. good on a 10" or 14" pizza  
--Buccilli's Pizza
- \$25 Gift Cert.--Comfort Center

## Avalanche Football contest Official Rules

**Week #7 Winning Games**

1. NY Giants (41)	11. Chicago
2. Pittsburgh	12. NY Jets
3. Tampa Bay	13. Texas A & M
4. Tennessee	14. Penn St.
5. Buffalo	15. Colorado
6. Atlanta	16. Wisconsin
7. Minnesota	17. UCLA
8. San Francisco	18. Syracuse (18)
9. San Diego (23)	19. N. Illinois
10. Miami	20. Michigan

Week #7  
Football Contest  
Winner

It's a tie between Jim Brown and Marvin Forbes both with 18 correct and the same 3 tie breakers. To determine the week #7 winner one name will be drawn from a hat.

- There were 136 entries.
- Only 19 entries picked NY Jets over New England

1.) Minnesota vs Detroit

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6.) Tampa Bay  
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9.) Jacksonville vs Denver

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**SCHOLARSHIPS** Grayling Lodge #356 F&AM is giving scholarships for the 1999 school year, to deserving students who have completed at least one year of college. For applications write to: Grayling Lodge #356 F&AM, PO Box 207, Grayling, MI 49738, and return the completed form by December 31, 1998. (8-15-22/8)

**LOOKING FOR A NEW** fundraiser? Try Avon...call 348-5718. (10/15/98tf/8)

**BEANIE BABIES SWAP** Saturday, October 24th, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. American Legion Hall, 106 S. James, Grayling. Free Admission, "Bag of Beanies" Drawing - all proceeds go to the Grayling High School Band. (-15-22/8)

**PATTI'S TOWNE HOUSE** All you can eat lunch buffet. Monday-Friday \$4.95, (517) 348-4331, 2552 S. I-75 Business Loop. (-15-22-29/8)

**NATIONAL MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY** Oct. 24. On Oct. 24th RSVP is sponsoring "Sock it to 'em." This will allow families in our community to receive socks. The socks are going to be distributed by the Crawford County Health Center with their holiday baskets. We encourage all to participants by dropping off a new pair of socks at Pizza Hut and in return you will receive a coupon for \$1 off small, \$2 off medium and \$3 off large pizza. (-22/8)

**CONGRATULATIONS** Scott and Paula as you join in marriage this Saturday, we your family wish you continued love and happiness. Love, Jim, Sandy, Joe and Jason. (-22/9)

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**GARAGE SALE** One day only, Saturday, October 24th 10-4. Mikado St. Lots of stuff left, jeans, sweat shirts and tee's, dishes, books, and knick nacks. All you can stuff in a brown paper sack for \$1. (-22/10)

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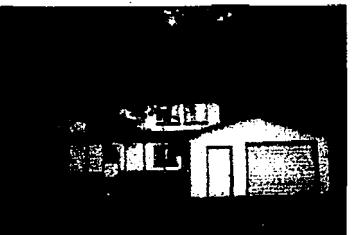
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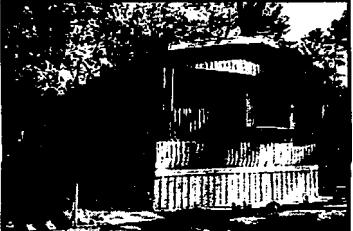
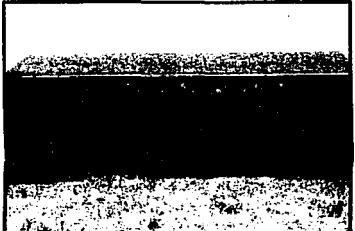
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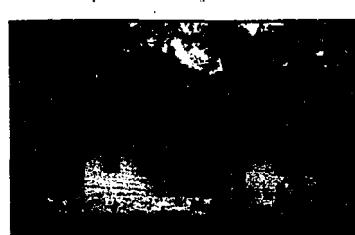
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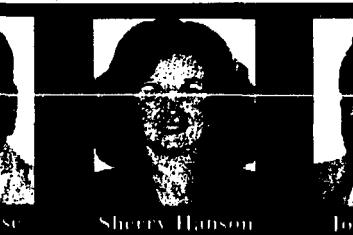
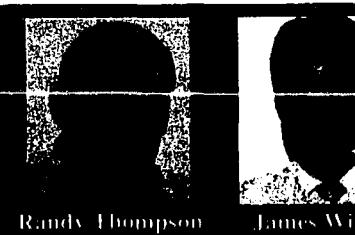
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